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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 1891—STATED MEETING, 11 A. M.

Hon. Abraham B. Tappen, who had been reappointed as a Commissioner of Public Parks, presented his certificate of appointment, which was ordered entered upon the minutes as follows :

CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

Know all men by these presents, that by virtue of the authority in me vested, I hereby nominate and appoint Abraham B. Tappen to be a Commissioner of the Department of Public Parks in and for the City of New York, for the term of five years, from May 1, 1891, to succeed himself.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office this fourth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-one.

HUGH J. GRANT, Mayor.

The roll being called—

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Tappen.

Mr. Hiram Barney appeared and asked that steps be taken for the improvement of the Spuyten Duyvil Parkway.

Mr. Gustav H. Schwab, President of the German Society, was heard upon the application of the Irish Emigrant Society and the German Society for permission to occupy the rotunda of Castle Garden for the purpose of continuing their free labor bureau until accommodations were provided for the same in the barge office by the United States Government.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the German Society of New York and the Irish Emigrant Society be granted permission to occupy the rotunda of Castle Garden until September 1, 1891, for the purposes of their free labor bureau.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

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Hon. Henry R. Beekman, Archdeacon Alexander McKay Smith, Rev. Francis Moore and Rev. Charles F. Deems were heard in favor of providing a playground for children in Central Park.

Mr. Lloyd I. Seaman was heard relative to the erection in Central Park of suitable structures, to be leased at a nominal rental, where the poor could obtain refreshments at low prices.

Mr. L. J. Callanan submitted a communication signed by himself, Lloyd I. Seaman and James F. Wenman, requesting that the Counsel to the Corporation be asked to take steps to have vacated the injunction restraining the Park Commission from revoking the permit for the occupation of Battery Park by the elevated railroad, and was heard in favor thereof.

Col. George Bliss and Erastus Wiman were heard in opposition.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, a public hearing in the matter was ordered for May 27, at 11 A. M.

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Hon. Henry R. Beekman submitted a draft of a proposed agreement between this Department and Messrs. Pell and Van Cortlandt in relation to burial plots in Pelham Bay and Van Cortlandt Parks.

On motion, the matter was referred to Commissioner Tappen.

Alderman John Morris asked that the privilege of the flower market at Union Square be extended to the Fourth avenue side of said park. The matter was laid over.

Mr. Cornelius O'Reilly of the Building Committee of the Grant Monument Association, submitted an application for permission to commence work on the excavations for the monument, and for the erection of a temporary house for the use of their Superintendents, on the ground at Riverside Park.

On motion, the matter was referred to the President with power.

A report was received from the Superintendent of Parks and the Landscape Architect, upon the plan submitted on 24th ultimo by the Chairman of the Building Committee of the Grant Monument Association, showing site selected for the monument and the proposed improvement of the Grant Memorial Grounds. Referred to the President.

The minutes of the meeting of April 24 were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting a copy of a resolution authorizing the issue of bonds to the amount of \$7,500 for paving walks with asphalt, and \$1,000 for trees, plants, fencing, etc., on Riverside Park. Filed.

From the Brooklyn Park Commission, inviting the Commissioners of this Department to visit Prospect Park on 23d inst. to review the Coaching Parade.

On motion of Commissioner Straus, the invitation was accepted.

From the Vice-President of the Manhattan Railway Company, relative to the removal of signs from the Battery Place Station, the structure across Battery Park and the station at South Ferry. Filed.

From Ashley W. Cole, Secretary, advising the Department of the organization of the Ericsson Statue Committee, created under chapter 251 of the Laws of 1891. Filed.

From Joseph Cronin, applying for permission to erect a small structure to use for the sale of refreshments under the southern stairway of the elevated railway station at City Hall Park. Referred to the Superintendent of Parks for report.

From the Secretary of the Mission of Our Lady of the Rosary for the Protection of Immigrant Girls, asking permission to use as an office one of the small rooms in the rotunda of Castle Garden.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Secretary was directed to request the Mission to co-operate with the German Society and the Irish Emigrant Society.

From Mrs. Josephine Shaw Lowell, in relation to making a children's playground at Rutgers Slip. Referred to the Superintendent of Parks.

From Edward Flynn, desiring to transfer to Thomas Jordan his license to let boats and sell refreshments in Pelham Bay Park.

On motion, the matter was referred to the President with power, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From Charles A. Schuebbe, desiring permission to occupy a barn in Pelham Bay Park for the purpose of letting boats. Referred to the President.

From Arthur Bennett, asking that boys be permitted to play ball in Central Park on Sundays. Denied.

From A. L. Tuckerman, Architect, recommending that the removal of an old elevator in the Metropolitan Museum of Art be authorized, in order not to interfere with the progress of the work on the north extension of the building.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the removal of the old elevator was authorized, the material to be stored under direction of the Department, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From J. C. Cady & Co., Architects :

1st. Submitting a time statement on the contract with James B. Smith, dated October 8, 1888, for the enlargement of the American Museum of Natural History. Approved and filed.

2d. Recommending the award of contracts for cases for the enlargement of the American Museum of Natural History, as follows : To Longstaff & Hurd, for 33 wall pavilion and centre cases, for the sum of \$17,366 ; to D. S. Hess & Co., for 22 wall and desk cases, for the sum of \$8,600.

Commissioner Straus offered the following :

Resolved, That contracts for furnishing cases for the American Museum of Natural History be and hereby are awarded to Longstaff & Hurd and D. S. Hess & Co., as recommended by the Architects, without public letting, as authorized by resolution of the Common Council.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From the Secretary of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, forwarding a copy of the Twenty-first Annual Report of the Trustees of the Museum. Filed.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Submitting modified specifications for paving the walks in Riverside Park, from Seventy-second to Seventy-ninth street.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the specifications submitted by the Engineer of Construction be approved and ordered printed, and when 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

2d. Estimating the cost of constructing a walk entrance to East River Park at or above Eighty-fifth street, at \$800. Filed.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Reporting adversely upon an application of Edward R. Johnes, in behalf of Newsdealers Park Kiosk Company, for permission to erect and maintain booths or kiosks upon the parks and streets adjoining. Filed.

2d. Reporting as to the condition of Fort Fish and the Old Block House in the Central Park, with an estimate of cost of putting the same in repair.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Superintendent was directed to proceed with the work of repairing the Old Block House and Fort Fish, as recommended in his report, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From the Landscape Architect and the Superintendent of Parks, submitting plans for additional shed accommodations at McGowan's Pass Tavern, with an estimate of the cost of doing the work. Laid over.

From the Property Clerk and George P. Morgan, auctioneer, submitting statements of the auction sale of old buildings, etc., at Castle Garden. Filed.

The Secretary presented a statement of moneys received and deposited in the City Treasury during the month of April, which was ordered entered upon the minutes as follows :

Statement of Moneys deposited in the City Treasury during the Month of April, 1891.

1891.	LICENSES.		
April 1.	Edward Flynn.....	\$7 44	
" 6.	W. H. Radford	312 43	
" 6.	Isidor Isaac (Carrousel).....	28 57	
" 13.	O. H. Riker.....	6 35	
" 13.	John Lucas.....	6 55	
" 13.	Gabriel Case.....	382 92	
" 14.	C. Schwarz.....	18 81	
" 20.	A. Lawrence.....	3 50	
		<u>766 57</u>	\$766 57
	SPECIAL FUND—REPAVING.		
April 16.	George D. Scott.....	\$10 00	
" 20.	J. L. Gillen	14 00	
" 24.	Moody & Bracken.....	13 33	
		<u>37 33</u>	37 33
	POUND.		
April 16.	Property Clerk, March.....		13 00
	SUNDRY RECEIPTS.		
April 24.	Director of Menagerie, horses' hides sold.....	\$72 00	
" 29.	George P. Morgan, auction sale of sheds at Castle Garden.....	362 70	
		<u>434 70</u>	434 70
	RENTS.		
April 1.	F. A. Hemmer, house, St. Mary's Park, March.....	\$25 00	
" 2.	S. E. Marshall, house, Pelham, March.....	100 00	
" 3.	Georgé A. Adeé, house, Pelham, March.....	41 67	
" 6.	Bronx Bleaching Company, premises, Bronx Park, March.....	100 00	
" 6.	R. M. Watson, house, Pelham Park, March.....	25 00	
" 17.	J. H. Keller, premises, Bronx Park, November 1 to May 1, 1891.....	48 00	
" 30.	Ed. McCue, dwelling, Bronx Park, April.....	5 00	
" 30.	Fred. Schwedner, dwelling, Bronx Park, April.....	5 00	
" 30.	Robert Greenhalgh, dwelling, Bronx Park, April.....	5 00	
		<u>354 67</u>	354 67
	Total		<u>\$1,606 27</u>

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the bill of Warren C. Bennett, amounting to fifty dollars, for furnishing the Department with files of Senate and Assembly bills during the last session of the Legislature, be

and the same is hereby audited, approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Committee for payment.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, a bill of M. Curley, amounting to \$175, for damage claimed to have been done to a carriage while in use by the Department, was referred to Commissioner Tappen.

The President, 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 :

Abeel Bros., horseshoe iron.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....		\$10 c8
Breen, M., painting, etc.....	Zoological Department.....		124 00
Brandis Mfg. Co., The, repairs to tape....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....		2 30
Brandis Mfg. Co., The, repairs to tape..	Van Cortlandt Park Parade		
	Ground, Construction of...		1 00
Cady, J. C., & Co., professional services..	American Museum Natural		
	History, Enlargement of..		519 80
Consolidated Gas Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....	\$96 63	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	48 12	
	Harlem River Bridges—Re-		
	pairs and Supplies.....	16 37	
			<u>161 12</u>
Chadburn & Coldwell Mfg. Co., repairs to			
lawn mowers.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....		257 53
Colgate & Co., soap.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....		16 00
Coffin, Paul C., brooms, etc.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....	\$1 20	
	Zoological Department.....	35 75	
			<u>36 95</u>
Colwell Lead Co., lead pipe.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....	\$29 13	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	88	
			<u>30 01</u>
Durland's Riding Academy Co., horses....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		250 00
Decker, Thompson W., & Sons, milk.....	Zoological Department.....		17 75
Ellis, C. C., & Son, bread.....	Zoological Department.....		79 20

Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank, rents .. Rents and Repairs.....		\$1,625 00
Giffen & Loomis, Drs., professional ser-		
vices, etc.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	\$234 01
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	163 99
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		398 00
Giffen & Loomis, Drs.; professional ser-		
vices, etc.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	\$80 67
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	57 33
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		138 00
Harmer, Hays & Co., repairs, etc	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	11 96
Kelsey, Fred. W., plants, etc., 1890	Labor, Maint., Supplies, etc.,	
	1890.....	887 49
Keuffel & Esser Co., heliographic paper, 1888	Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1888	21 28
Lanier, Charles, Treasurer, salaries and		
wages, American Museum Natural His-		
tory	Maintenance—Museums.....	2,147 86
Lanier, Charles, Treasurer, coal and gas,		
American Museum Natural History	Maintenance—Museums.....	1,429 87
Malone, P., horseshoeing.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	20 00
Mott, J. L., Iron Works, The, repairs to		
box covers	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	25 20
McKesson & Robbins, sponges.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	11 25
McCloskey, Charles, wire fence	Zoological Department	136 56
New York Mutual Gas-light Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	46 38
Patterson Bros., hasps, staples, etc.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	27 34
Reigelman, J., coal	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	118 75
Smith, James B., Estimate No. 10.....	American Museum Natural	
	History, Enlargement of..	20,792 00
Wales, Salem H., Treasurer, salaries, etc.,		
Metropolitan Museum of Art.....	Maintenance—Museums.....	3,644 62
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		<u>\$32,987 12</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$956 47
Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, etc, 1890..	887 49
Zoological Department.....	393 08

Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	\$552 28	
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	16 37	
Van Cortlandt Park Parade Ground—Construction of.....	1 00	
Rents and Repairs.....	1,625 00	
Maintenance—Museums.....	7,222 35	
American Museum Natural History—Enlargement of.....	21,311 80	
Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1888.....	21 28	
		\$32,987 12

Amounting to the sum of thirty-two thousand nine hundred and eighty seven dollars and twelve cents.

A. GALLUP,
NATHAN STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN,

NEW YORK, May 13, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—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 :

Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band..... Music.....		\$340 00
Conklin, W. A., petty disbursements..... Zoological Department.....		100 97
Cappa, C. A..... Music.....		920 00
Mason, F. H. D., petty disbursements New Parks north of Harlem River, Care of.....		150 04
Mason, F. H. D., petty disbursements. Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$208 55	
New Parks north of Harlem River, Care of.....	34 13	
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	3 35	
		246 03
Wales & Van Riper, driving test-piles, etc. Care of New Parks north of Harlem River.....		138 00
		\$1,895 04

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$208 55
Zoological Department.....	100 97
Music.....	1,260 00

Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem River	\$322 17	
Police—Supplies and Repairs	3 35	\$1,895 04
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Amounting to the sum of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five dollars and four cents.

A. GALLUP,
NATHAN STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN,

NEW YORK, May 13, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—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 :

Cady, J. C. & Co., professional services. Am. Museum Natural History,		
Enlargement of.	\$2,122 77	
Smith, Joseph B., payment acceptance. Am. Museum Natural History,		
Enlargement of.	84,910 90	
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		\$87,033 67

RECAPITULATION.

American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of.	\$87,033 67
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Amounting to the sum of eighty-seven thousand and thirty-three dollars and sixty-seven cents.

A. GALLUP,
NATHAN STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN,

NEW YORK, May 13, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 1.10 P. M., the Board went into executive session.

The following communications were received :

From the Mayor, inclosing a petition from the Letter Carriers of New York for permission to erect a statue of Samuel S. Cox on the Parks.

From the Common Council, requesting that a site be assigned in the Central Park for the statue of Cox.

From the S. S. Cox Memorial Committee, asking that a site for the Cox statue be located on the Park.

From the Presidents of the National Academy of Design, the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, reporting upon the model of the statue of S. S. Cox, as to its merits as a work of art.

On motion, the matter was laid over to be taken up at a full meeting of the Board.

From the Captain of Police :

1st. Recommending the granting of the usual summer vacation to members of the Police force.

On motion, the President was authorized to grant the usual vacation by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

2d. Inclosing applications of Park Policemen for pay for time lost on account of contagious diseases in their families.

On motion, half pay was allowed Park Policeman David Lyons, Joseph Verity and Henry Farrell, for the time lost by them on account of illness in their families, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From William F. McCabe, Clerk, applying for an extension of his leave of absence until the 15th instant.

On motion, the application was granted, with half pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From John J. Shelly, inclosing affidavits relative to charges made against him and tendering his resignation as a Foreman. Filed.

From George C. Hillman, Assistant, applying for pay for services for thirteen days in the month of January.

On motion, pay was allowed as applied for, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From George S. Welsh, Assistant Engineer, asking to be allowed pay for services for thirteen days in the month of January.

On motion, pay was allowed as applied for, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

The President presented the following report :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
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The President reports that a communication was sent to the Manhattan Elevated Railroad Company notifying them to remove the advertising signs on their structure over the Battery Park, to which the said company has made reply that the matter would be attended to at once and the signs removed.

A communication from the Health Board concerning the pollution of the lakes in the Central Park is submitted to the Board, together with the report of Mr. Kellogg and Mr. Parsons upon the subject, in accordance with my directions. Before the communication from the Health Board had been received the condition of the ponds had been a subject of concern, and all possible precautions had been taken by removing deposits along the edge of them and dead fish, to keep them as pure as could be.

A complaint was made by Mr. Herman Klenke that he had delivered a horse at the Sheepfold to be slaughtered for the animals in the Menagerie, but that the same had been sold by the butcher to a horse dealer, and was thereafter resold by the dealer and is at work, although wholly incapacitated for work. Upon investigation, Zier, the butcher, was discharged, and, inasmuch as it did not seem to me that the maintenance of a slaughter-house in the park was proper, Mr. Conklin was directed to cause the horses purchased for food for the animals to be slaughtered outside of the Park limits.

The roads have been in a measure repaired since the last meeting, but I have found it extremely difficult to have the work done in a proper way. I directed the Superintendent to cause the East Drive to be scraped and graveled and have the whole force detailed to that work, but instead of doing this the West Drive was graveled in places, but the work is by no means finished, and the East Drive, where there is the most traffic, remains almost wholly unattended to. The Mayor has made several complaints upon the subject, and they have all been well founded.

On motion, the report of the President was approved.

Communications were received from George E. Dodge, Alfred M. Hoyt and the Health Department, respecting the condition of the "pond" and the "lily pond" in the Central Park, and reports thereon were received from the Engineer of Construction and the Superintendent of Parks. The matter was referred to the President.

The Board then proceeded to consider evidence taken in the trial of Park Policemen.

Henry Terpeny, charged with intoxication, conduct unbecoming an officer and being off post.

On motion, charges dismissed.

John M. Maher, charged with being absent from roll call, was acquitted.

Thomas Dalton, charged with being absent from drill duty without leave, was found guilty and cautioned.

Thomas Dalton, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Thomas Dalton, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Michael E. Dolan, charged with being absent from drill duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

George T. Green, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Thomas J. Howard, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty as charged and reprimanded.

Thomas J. Howard, charged with sitting down and sleeping on post, was found guilty as charged and fined thirty days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Charles Baptist, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was acquitted.

John J. Cray, charged with being absent from drill duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

John F. Mahoney, charged with not properly patrolling, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Joseph O'Brien, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Alfred C. Newell, charged with being off post was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Alfred C. Newell, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

John Robinson, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

William F. Hallohan, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Peter F. Rafferty, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Bernard M. Devine, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Michael Moss, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

John Shea, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Charles B. Britton, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Edward O'Loughlin, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Peter F. Hines, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined ten days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Cornelius J. Mulvey, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined fifteen days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 1.50 P. M., the executive session arose and the Board adjourned.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 1897—STATED MEETING, 11 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

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

The following communications were received :

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting a copy of a resolution amending the resolution passed by said Board April 29, 1897, authorizing the expenditure of \$7,500 for paving walks in Riverside Park, by striking out the word rock and leaving to the discretion of this Department the nature of the asphalt to be used. Filed.

From the Comptroller, in relation to permitting the New York Harbor Tow Boat Company to use temporarily the dock at Castle Garden.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That permission be and hereby is granted the New York Harbor Tow Boat Company to use the dock at Castle Garden for their boats and barges engaged in landing emigrants during the pleasure of this Board, and subject to the approval of the Sinking Fund Commission, at such rental as may be fixed, the said company to make all repairs necessary and to save the City harmless from any claims for accidents or damages.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the President of the Department of Docks, asking that the wharf on the westerly side of Castle Garden be turned over to said Department. Filed.

From the Assistant Secretary of the American Museum of Natural History, forwarding a copy of the annual report of the Trustees of said Museum for the year 1896. Filed.

From the President of the American Museum of Natural History, recommending that an order be issued to S. D. Dill to repair six desk cases in the Museum, at an expense of \$540.

On motion, an order was authorized to be issued as recommended by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Secretary of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, calling attention to a clause in the lease under which the Trustees hold the Museum Building, requiring that the same shall not be opened for exhibition on Sunday.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the consent of this Department was given to the opening of the Metropolitan Museum of Art to the public on Sunday, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Property Owners' Association of the Tenth, Eleventh and Seventeenth Wards, relative to the necessity for providing additional police protection in Tompkins Square. Filed.

From the Fiftieth Street, Astoria Ferry and Central Park Railroad Company, proposing to construct and operate railways in the Central Park transverse roads. Filed.

From the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Grant Monument Association, asking permission for a little girl to sell souvenirs at the Grant Tomb on Riverside Park. Referred to the Superintendent of Parks for report.

From the President of the Musical Mutual Union, respecting the pay of musicians employed in giving Park concerts. Filed.

From R. H. Robertson, Architect, asking permission to place projecting store windows on the new building of Ewen McIntyre, at the northeast corner of Broadway and Eighteenth street. Laid over.

From the Director of the Menagerie, asking authority to exchange twenty-four old sheep and ten lambs for two pairs of Bennett's kangaroos and three Rhesus monkeys.

On motion, the Director of the Menagerie was authorized to make the exchange by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Property Clerk, submitting a statement of an auction sale of old horses, useless materials, etc., held in Central Park on 18th instant. Filed.

From the Captain of Police, reporting upon a complaint from Mrs. M. Jones, relative to an outrage committed on her daughter in St. Mary's Park on the 8th instant. Filed.

From Rowland A. Robbins, applying for an extension of time of thirty days on his contract for furnishing 450 park settees.

On motion, an extension of thirty days' time on the contract for settees was granted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Submitting a time statement on the contract with Hobart F. Clark for paving walks, platforms and esplanades in Morningside Park, and recommending that the penalty for overtime be remitted, excepting for thirty days' excess of inspection at \$4 per day.

On motion, the statement and recommendation of the Engineer was approved by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

2d. Submitting plans and specifications for a crib-dock with timber, stone and earth approach at Pelham Bay Park, to be located on the easterly line of Rodman's Neck, about 1,000 feet north-erly from the City Island Bridge.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, said plans and specifications were approved and the specifications ordered printed by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Recommending the acceptance of offers of John Donican, Antonio C. Pucci and Patrick Canavan to furnish mould free of charge on Riverside and Central Parks.

On motion, the Superintendent was authorized to accept the mould offered by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

2d. Reporting adversely upon an application of Joseph Cronin for permission to erect a stand and sell refreshments under the stairs leading to the elevated railroad, near the Hall of Records, City Hall Park.

On motion, the application was denied.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, advising the Department as to the propriety of applying the amount of the cost of sheds erected by the licensee of Claremont on account of his license fees. Filed.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to transfer the sum of eight thousand five hundred dollars (\$8,500) from unexpended balances of appropriations made for the year 1890, as follows :

"Salaries".....	\$117 08
"Police—Salaries".....	3,144 70
"Zoological Department".....	1,000 00
"Maintenance, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards".....	4,238 22
	\$8,500 00

—to the appropriation for "Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs," etc., for the current year, to be used for the purpose of repairing and resurfacing the "Plaza" and the "Circle" at Fifty-ninth street, Fifth and Eighth avenues.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The President presented the following report :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
NOS. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET. }

The President reports as follows :

The New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company last year received permission from this Department to make use of a narrow strip on the west side of Bronx Park for their station and the approaches at Bedford Park, they agreeing to construct a foot bridge at that place over the track. This work having been neglected, they were directed to prosecute it forthwith, and on May 15 this Department was advised that the contract has been already made and the contractor will go to work on it very shortly and that it will be pushed to completion at the earliest possible day. I direct that the approaches to the Southern Boulevard Bridge should be widened, and the company have undertaken to have the work done as quickly as possible.

The Corporation Counsel has verbally advised this Department that there is no reason why the construction of the dock at Pelham Park should be delayed because of the fact that it will project beyond low-water mark, and the contract therefor is laid before the Board, to be approved, printed and advertised.

The condition of the Transverse roads has, in spite of the fact that an effort has been made to keep them in order, been very bad of late, due chiefly to the use of them by contractors' carts which carry sand and rock from the Reservoir excavation. Transverse Road No. 3, where the horse-car line is, has within the last two weeks been filled up to half the height of the curb, with sand. A street sweeping machine has been borrowed from the Street Cleaning Department, that the road might be put in order, and the Captain of Police was directed to allow no carts to pass through hereafter loaded with sand or rock. An effort was therefore made to compel the contractors to be careful, and drivers have been arrested for allowing the debris to escape from the carts, but as the Captain of Police informs me, they have been discharged by the police justices, and no other remedy seems to have been available excepting the one adopted, and the contractor was notified that unless he kept the Transverse Road No. 3 in thorough repair himself, this order will be strictly enforced.

Complaints have been made of disorderly conduct in St. Mary's Park and in the Transverse roads in the Central Park by roughs. The reports of the Captain of Police in both cases are submitted to the Board.

Concerning the condition of the ponds, I have to report that the outlet at Fifty-ninth street and Fifth avenue was thoroughly cleaned and disinfectants have been placed therein. Also that the Pool and Loch have been cleaned, and the connection between them has been put in good order, so that there is quite a fall of water. The Lily Pond and Conservatory Lake are being cleaned out, and the water has been partially drawn off for that purpose. Mr. Martin, Chemist of the Board of Health, conferred at this Department with me last week and advised the Department verbally that as soon as a sufficient quantity of Croton water has been run into the pond at Fifty-ninth street, all danger to the public, if any existed, because of the stagnant water, would be removed, and that in his opinion the odors coming from the outlet at Fifty-ninth street and Fifth avenue were caused by the entrance of hot water into the City sewer from the Plaza Hotel, which set free gases mechanically held in the sewage. He undertook to notify the proprietors of the Plaza Hotel to discontinue

the practice. The Engineer of Construction has been directed to prepare an estimate and plan for the construction of a mason's trap in the outlet at Fifty-ninth street, in case he finds that it will be needed.

Pursuant to a resolution offered by Mr. Robb in August, 1890, the Automatic Weighing Machine Company put some weighing machines into the parks and agreed to pay five per cent. of their receipts to the City. The present disposition of the Board being opposed to allow them to remain they have been ordered taken out:

On motion, the report and action of the President was approved by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to transfer the sum of twenty thousand dollars from any unexpended balance or fund which may be available to the appropriation for the New Parks for the current year, to be applied to the immediate improvement, for public use and convenience, of certain portions of Bronx, Crotona and St. Mary's Parks.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The matter of the proposed removal of the elevated railroad from the Battery Park was then taken up for discussion.

Petitions favoring and opposing the proposed removal were received and filed.

Messrs. L. J. Callanan, Lloyd I. Seaman, E. G. Byrnes and Thomas Barrett, were heard in favor.

Messrs. J. V. D. Card, Cyrus Clark, Lawson N. Fuller, George Bliss, Erastus Wiman, Julien T. Davies, Hugh N. Camp and S. G. Bayne, were heard in opposition.

On motion, further consideration of the subject was postponed until Friday, 29th instant, at 1 P. M.

The President, 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 :

American District Telegraph Co., messenger service.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, etc., 1890.....		\$4 35
American District Telegraph Co., messenger service.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		5 15
Abeel Brothers, horseshoe iron, etc.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs. Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$13 44	
		7 20	20 64

Bucki, Charles L. & Co., spruce.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		\$211 19
Bradley, William, sand, 1890.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, etc., 1890.....		50 00
Bradley, William, sand.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		100 00
Conterno, Luciano, music.....	Music.....		340 00
Cappa, C. A., music.....	Music.....		587 00
Coffin, Paul C., netting, staples, etc.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$2 65	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	94 74	
		<hr/>	97 39
Colwell Lead Co., emory cloth, etc.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		12 58
Dickinson Brothers & King, cement.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		41 25
Decker, T. W., & Sons, milk.....	Zoological Department.....		17 92
Dunham, Thos. C., repairs, rolling stock ..	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		145 49
East River Mill and Lumber Co., The, spruce, etc.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$118 20	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	8 80	
		<hr/>	127 00
Elliott, William, & Sons, grass seed.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		203 50
Fiske, J. W., cups, etc.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		66 38
Fabric Fire Hose Co., hose.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		56 00
Huffman, Theo. P., Estimate No. 1.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$1,196 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	533 62	
	Zoological Department.....	443 56	
		<hr/>	2,173 18
Haggerty, J. Henry, oil.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		5 10
Hazard Powder Co., The, powder.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		20 35
Hews, A. H. & Co., flower pots.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		24 50
Hodgman Rubber Co., The.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		10 08

Kelsey, Fred. W., plants, etc., 1890	Labor, Maint., Supplies, etc., 1890	\$932 32
Keuffel & Esser Co., paper	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	20 24
Lieboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band, music	Music	510 00
Mutual District Messenger Co., Limited, messenger service, 1890	Labor, Maint., Supplies, etc., 1890	86
Mutual District Messenger Co., Limited, messenger service, 1890	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	1 50
McLaughlin, James, sand	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	15 00
Mason, J. W. & Co., chairs	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	23 00
McMurray, James F., daily papers	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	20 47
Patterson Brothers, shovels, etc.	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	\$3 09
	New Parks north of Harlem River, Care of	7 50
		<hr/> 10 59
Robitzek, G., & Bros., coal	Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies	95 00
Rehm & Co., flag	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	7 00
Smith, Clifford E., repairs, rolling stock	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	53 93
Tyndale, B. S., fish	Zoological Department	37 50
Thorburn, James M. & Co., seeds	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	3 00
Ward, Thomas, coal	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	47 50
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance	\$2,420 35
Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, etc., 1890	987 47
Police—Supplies and Repairs	650 60
Zoological Department	498 98
Care and Maintenance—New Parks north of Harlem River	7 50

Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	\$95 00	
Music.....	1,437 00	
		<u>\$6,096 90</u>

Amounting to the sum of six thousand and ninety-six dollars and ninety cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, May 27, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Aschenbach, Charles F., harness.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....		\$20 00
Barron, James S. & Co., rope, brushes, etc.	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....	\$20 35	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	23 50	
			<u>43 85</u>
Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band, music.	Music.....		170 00
Cappa, C. S.....	Music.....		460 00
Conterno, Luciano.....	Music.....		170 00
Coffin, Paul C., oilers, etc.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....		42 50
Cole, W. L. & Co., repairs to wagon.....	New Parks north of Harlem		
	River, Care of.....		52 00
Dunham, Thomas C., paints, etc.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....		53 53
Ellis, C. C. & Son, bread.....	Zoological Department.....		81 00
Fiske, J. W., settees.....	Settees.....		420 00
Harmer, Hays & Co., linen sheets, etc....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		42 00
Hellgate Oil Works, oil.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....		25 75
International News Co., The, books.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....		80 14
Keuffel & Esser Co., tape.....	Improvement of Plaza, 110th		
	street and 5th avenue.....		2 36
Keuffel & Esser Co., tape.....	Van Cortlandt Park Parade		
	Ground, Construction of... ..		2 36
Keuffel & Esser Co., tape.....	Morningside Park, Construction		
	of—Completion of Bays, etc		2 36

Milliken, David, sawdust.....	Zoological Department.....	\$15 00	
McCloskey, Charles, fence, etc.....	Zoological Department.....	266 00	
McLaughlin, James, broken stone.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		42 00
McDermott, M. J., hydrant.....	New Parks north of Harlem River, Care of.....		115 00
Moffat, David & Co., leather.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		24 96
O'Donnell, N., coal.....	New Parks north of Harlem River, Care of.....	\$9 50	
	Zoological Department.....	95 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	57 00	
	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		80 75
			<u>242 25</u>
Rehm & Co., bunting.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		15 00
Squier, George L., Manufacturing Co., The, scythes.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		31 50
Whitman Saddle Co., saddles, etc.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		81 92
			<u>\$2,441 98</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$436 98
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	204 42
Zoological Department.....	397 00
Care and Maintenance—New Parks north of Harlem River.....	176 50
Music.....	800 00
Settees.....	420 00
Improving the Plaza at One Hundred and Tenth street and Fifth avenue.....	2 36
Van Cortlandt Park Parade Ground, Construction of.....	2 36
Morningside Park, Construction of—Completing Bays, etc.....	2 36
	<u>\$2,441 98</u>

Amounting to the sum of two thousand four hundred and forty-one dollars and ninety-eight cents.

A. GALLUP, } Auditing Committee,
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, May 27, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote:

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

MAY 27, 1891.]

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 :

Clark, Hobart F., payment on acceptance . . . Morningside Park, Improvement of	<u>\$7,301 13</u>
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RECAPITULATION.

Morningside Park, Improvement of	<u>\$7,301 13</u>
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Amounting to the sum of seven thousand three hundred and one dollars and thirteen cents.

A. GALLUP, A. B. TAPPEN, }	Auditing Committee.
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NEW YORK, May 27, 1891.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, on motion, the same was approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 3.30 P. M., the Board adjourned.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

FRIDAY, MAY 29, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 1 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

Commissioner Tappen, to whom the matter was referred on the 13th instant, reported verbally in relation to the burial vaults and plots in Van Cortlandt and Pelham Bay Parks that it would not be expedient to enter into the contract proposed on behalf of the representatives of the families formerly making use of such burial places, and that the Board can properly grant a revocable permit to the parties interested, under the usual regulations, enabling such parties to bestow proper care upon the places.

On motion, the report of Commissioner Tappen was approved.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That during the absence of Commissioner Straus in Europe the signatures of two Commissioners on all bills and orders for supplies shall be deemed as sufficient authorization for the purposes thereof by this Board.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From A. B. de Frece, asking permission for the sales agent of the Grant Monument Association to sell souvenirs at the tomb of General Grant on Decoration Day. Granted.

The hearing in the matter of the elevated railroad in Battery Park was then resumed.

Mr. Julien T. Davies was heard in opposition to the proposed removal of the railway structure from the Park.

Further hearing was postponed to Friday, June 5, at 11 A. M.

On motion, at 4 P. M., the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, 3d proximo, at 11 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 1891--ADJOURNED MEETING, 11 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

Mr. E. G. Marsh, representing 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 advertisements duly published in the CITY RECORD for the following-named works :

For Regulating, Grading and Improving the Public Place or Plaza at One Hundred and Tenth Street and Fifth Avenue.

ITEMS.	ESTIMATED QUANTITIES.	1		2		3	
		BERNARD MAHON.		JOHN J. HOPPER.		JOSEPH MOORE.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1. Filling to be placed in embankment.....	2,700 cubic yards.	\$0 30	\$810 00	\$0 45	\$1,215 00	\$0 40	\$1,080 00
2. Garden mould furnished and placed.....	400 cubic yards.	1 50	600 00	50	200 00	1 00	400 00
3. 6-inch blue-stone curb, straight on face.....	403 lineal feet.	1 25	503 75	1 75	705 25	1 60	644 80
4. 6-inch blue-stone curb, curved on face.....	440 lineal feet.	1 40	616 00	2 20	968 00	1 70	748 00
5. Receiving-basins (complete).....	1	150 00	150 00	150 00	150 00	150 00	150 00
6. Receiving-basins (rebuilt).....	3	70 00	210 00	110 00	330 00	100 00	300 00
7. 12-inch vitrified stoneware pipe.....	130 lineal feet.	1 50	195 00	1 75	227 50	1 50	195 00
8. Pavement of concrete and mortar.....	11,900 square feet.	35	4,165 00	34	4,046 00	40	4,760 00
9. New pavement to furnish and lay.....	2,000 square yards.	3 50	7,000 00	4 21	8,420 00	2 18	4,360 00
10. Old pavement to relay.....	390 square yards.	50	195 00	2 26	881 40	1 00	390 00
11. New bridge-stones to furnish and lay.....	2,900 square feet.	60	1,740 00	1 15	3,335 00	76	2,204 00
12. Old bridge-stones to relay.....	400 square feet.	15	60 00	15	60 00	06	24 00
13. Concrete for foundation.....	480 cubic yards.	3 50	1,680 00	5 00	2,400 00	3 50	1,680 00
Totals.....	.....	.....	\$17,924 75	.....	\$22,938 15	.....	\$16,935 80

For Repairing and Resurfacing the Macadamized Roadway and Trap-block Gutters of Fifth Avenue, from Ninetieth to One Hundred and Tenth Street.

BIDDERS.	15,000 SQ. YDS. OF MACADAM PAVEMENT, ETC., TO BE REPAIRED AND RESURFACED.	AMOUNT.
Charles H. Babcock.....	\$0 59 $\frac{3}{4}$	\$9,560 00
Bernard Mahon.....	75	12,000 00
Joseph Moore.....	67	10,720 00

For Regulating and Grading for Entrance at One Hundred and Sixth Street and Central Park, West, and for Driveway connecting same with the West Drive in the Central Park.

BIDDERS.	4,900 CUBIC YARDS OF EARTH EXCAVATION.	8,100 CUBIC YARDS OF ROCK EXCAVATION.	AMOUNT.
John J. Hopper.....	\$0 55	\$1 50	\$14,845 00
William J. Reilly.....	63	1 09	11,916 00
James Leeson.....	30	1 25	11,595 00
M. J. Leahy.....	30	1 34 $\frac{1}{2}$	12,364 50
R. McLaughlin.....	34	1 15	10,981 00
P. Altieri.....	49	99	10,420 00
James Slattery.....	50	1 40	13,790 00
Walter J. Ford.....	1 40	1 80	21,440 00

For Repairing and Repaving with Rock Asphalt, the Walks Within the City Parks, other than Central Park.

BIDDERS.	10,800 SQUARE FEET OF ASPHALT, WITH CONCRETE BASE.	37,000 SQUARE FEET OF ASPHALT, WITHOUT CONCRETE BASE.	AMOUNT.
The Neuchatel Asphalte Co. (Limited).....	\$0 24	\$0 15	\$8,142 00
Edwin H. Wootton.....	0 24 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 16 $\frac{1}{2}$	8,731 75
Sicilian Asphalte Paving Co.....	0 20	0 10	5,860 00

The minutes of the meetings of May 13, 27 and 29 were read and approved.

Mr. Charles B. Stover presented an application for permission to use one of the houses in Pelham Bay Park for a "fresh-air" house for poor children of the East side, and was heard in relation thereto.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the matter was laid on the table.

Commissioner Tappen, to whom was referred the claim of M. Curley for \$175 for damage to a wagon used by the Department, submitted a report recommending that an allowance of \$130 be made, that amount being 20 per cent. of the original price of the wagon, and that Mr. Curley be required to make an affidavit as to the facts of the claim.

On motion, said report and recommendation were approved by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to insert an advertisement in the CITY RECORD inviting proposals for furnishing and delivering a supply of forage.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The following communications were received :

From the Counsel to the Corporation in relation to the building of a dock at Pelham Bay Park beyond low-water mark, and advising that in his opinion it would not, under existing circumstances be lawful to build the same. Filed.

From the Engineer of Construction, reporting upon an application of John H. Matthews for permission to cross the sidewalk and curb of Riverside avenue with a carriageway and bridge over the gutter near Ninetieth street. Referred to Commissioner Tappen.

From the Director of the Menagerie, recommending that the surplus ram lambs of the Central Park flock of sheep be sold at auction.

On motion an auction sale of the surplus lambs was ordered.

From George William Curtis, Chairman of the Pearson Monument Committee, withdrawing the request made in October last for the designation of a site in one of the Parks for the erection of a monument to Henry G. Pearson. Filed.

From the President of the American Museum of Natural History, recommending that an order be issued to S. D. Dill to enlarge two cases and construct a new case in the Wood Hall of the museum at an expense of \$948.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup an order was authorized to be issued for doing the work as recommended, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From General Horace Porter, asking permission to build projecting windows on his dwelling at the corner of Madison avenue and Fortieth street.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department be and the same hereby is given to the erection of two bay windows on the dwelling of Horace Porter, at the southeast corner of Madison avenue

and Fortieth street, one of said windows not to project more than three feet beyond the building line and to replace an existing bay window extending four feet beyond the building line, and the other to be built on the extension of said dwelling, and not to project more than two feet, as shown on a plan submitted.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes- Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending that pay for overtime be allowed to drivers employed in sprinkling the park drives and Fifth avenue.

On motion, pay for overtime, aggregating fifty-two and one-half days, was allowed to the drivers, as recommended by the Superintendent, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Sicilian Asphalte Paving Company, asking that the specifications for paving walks in the City parks be so modified as to allow Sicilian rock asphalt to be used, and

From the Engineer of Construction, reporting in relation thereto.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That all the bids or proposals received this day for paving walks in the City parks be and the same hereby are rejected, and that the specifications for that work be amended so as to admit of the use of all kinds of rock asphalt and readvertised.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the contract for which proposals have been this day received for repairing and resurfacing Fifth avenue, between Ninetieth and One Hundred and Tenth streets, be awarded to Charles H. Babcock, the lowest bidder ; that his proposal be sent to the Comptroller for approval of the sureties thereon, and when so approved, that the President be authorized to sign the contract for and on behalf of the Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The President, 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 :

Eben, Felix I.	Music	\$680 00
Hanna, Robert & Co., Estimate No. 8. Van Cortlandt Park Parade		
	Ground—Construction of ..	5,380 99

Hopper, Jno. J., Estimate No. 2.....	Morningside Park—Construction and Completion of Bays, etc.....	\$4,041 60
Lieboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band, Music.....	Music.....	170 00
N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., The, gas.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....	45 12
Wales, Salem H., Treasurer, Metropolitan Museum of Art, salaries and wages, May.....	Maintenance—Museums.....	3,698 56
		\$14,016 18

RECAPITULATION.

Music.....	\$850 00
Van Cortlandt Park Parade Ground—Construction of.....	5,380 90
Morningside Park—Construction and Completion of Bays, etc.....	4,041 60
Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance.....	45 12
Maintenance—Museums.....	3,698 56
	\$14,016 18

Amounting to the sum of fourteen thousand and sixteen dollars and eighteen cents.

A. GALLUP, }
 A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, June 3, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The President presented the following report :

The President reports as follows :

In order that the work of resurfacing the drives in the Central Park, which have for the past four years been allowed to run down, in some cases the gravel being worn entirely down to the foundation stones, and also to finish the work of cleaning out the ponds, twenty-five laborers were appointed for thirty days. The condition of the appropriation will permit this, as economy has been practiced during the first part of the year.

On May 29 a communication was received from the office of the Chief of Engineers, U. S. A., at Washington, requesting this Board to consent to an agreement indicating approval by the Secretary of War, under section 7 of the River and Harbor Act of September 19, 1890, of the plan and location of the bridge to be built across Harlem river, at Seventh avenue, which, together with the said communication, was referred to the Corporation Counsel for his advice.

Since the last report to this Board, an opinion has been received from the Corporation Counsel, dated May 29, in which the verbal advice which was given to this Department by one of the Assistants in his office to the effect that it would be proper for the Department to commence the construction of the Pelham Park dock, in spite of the fact that it might run out beyond high watermark, has not been approved. The opinion states that the lands acquired by the City for the Pelham Bay Park extend only to high water ; that Mr. Marshall, upon whose property it is proposed to build the dock, had not any riparian rights, and hence, that the City got no title to the lands under water ; that proceedings to acquire the grant of lands under water have been instituted. The Department was further advised that it would not be lawful for the construction of a dock to be commenced ; therefore, though the contract will be printed in order to save time, it will not be advertised until further instructions from the Board. The opinion of the Corporation Counsel is submitted.

Concerning the cleaning of the Transverse roads, of which a report was made heretofore to the Board, I have made a contract for \$100 with J. Holland, who is the contractor employed by the Department of Street Cleaning, and who has undertaken to clean all three Transverse roads thoroughly for \$100. The estimated cost of having Transverse road No. 3 alone cleaned by the Street Cleaning Department was \$70, and the arrangement with Holland is undoubtedly an economical one.

I have noticed frequently and complaints have been made that bicycles in the park at night are dangerous, because they do not always carry lights. Pursuant to chapter 744 of the Laws of 1887, I recommend that a resolution be passed that bicycles and tricycles be not allowed in the parks at night unless they have lights and bells.

The Society for Instruction of First Aid to the Injured have offered this Board badges to be given to such of the officers as have shown extraordinary aptitude and intelligence in treating accidents which have occurred in the parks ; and if the Board concur, I suggest that they be awarded upon the certificate of the physician showing extraordinary merit.

Owing to incompetency two foremen have been requested to resign.

Pursuant to authority conferred by the Board heretofore, I have granted a temporary privilege to the Hack Drivers' Association to occupy the asphaltic sidewalk at the north side of Fifty-eighth street, corner of Fifth avenue. This permission to continue temporarily, to ascertain if such hack stand will be disagreeable to surrounding property owners.

On motion, the report and action of the President was approved, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That all bicycles and tricycles using the parks at night shall be required to be provided with proper lights and bells.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

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On motion, at 12.20 P. M. the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, the application of Charles B. Stover for permission to use one of the houses in Pelham Bay Park, was taken from the table and denied, the Board being of opinion that the parks are intended for excursions or day use, and cannot properly be used in the manner asked for by Mr. Stover.

On motion, at 12.30 P. M. the executive session arose and the Board adjourned to Friday, 5th instant, at 11 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 11 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That James Long, Patrick Murray and Daniel Kelly be reinstated as Laborers in the employment of the Board of Parks upon their discontinuing the proceeding brought by them for a mandamus against said Board without cost, and signing a stipulation waiving any claim for alleged pay up to the present time. This resolution is offered for the purpose of allowing the above-named veterans to show their good faith, and to test the question whether or not they are capable of doing the work of the Department on which they were employed.

In case the stipulation above referred to is not signed by the said Long, Murray and Kelly this resolution to be of no effect.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the contract for which proposals were received on 3d instant for improving the public place or plaza at Fifth avenue and One Hundred and Tenth street be awarded to Joseph Moore, the lowest bidder ; that his proposal be sent to the Comptroller for approval of the sureties thereon, and when so approved that the President be authorized to sign the contract for and on behalf of the Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That all the bids or proposals received on 3d instant for constructing an entrance to the Central Park at West One Hundred and Sixth street be and the same hereby are rejected.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes —Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From A. L. Tuckerman, Architect, recommending the removal of the old elevator on the northerly side of the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

On motion, the elevator was ordered sold at public auction by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Dana, to whom was referred the subject of a proposed children’s playground in the Central Park, presented an adverse report in relation thereto. Which was received and ordered placed on file.

The hearing in the matter of the elevated railroad at the Battery was then continued.

Petitions favoring the removal of the railway structure from the Battery Park were received and ordered filed.

Messrs. Edwin M. Wright, John Jay Chapman, Charles B. Stover, L. J. Callanan, E. G. Byrnes and Thomas Barrett were heard in favor of the removal, and Mr. Julien T. Davies in opposition thereto.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to report to the Board of Aldermen that the safety, health and convenience of the public require that the flagging and curb now on the sidewalk on the north side of West Seventy-second street, extending one hundred feet east of Amsterdam avenue, be relaid and reset where necessary, and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Mr. McLane, representing the “Morning Journal,” appeared and asked whether, in case private citizens furnished necessary funds, the Board would authorize the use of Castle Garden for concerts.

On motion, the matter was referred to Commissioner Dana.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, the Engineer of Construction was directed to make an examination of the flooring and foundation of the Castle Garden building, and report as to its safety.

The President, 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 Sixty-ninth Regiment Band.....	Music.....	\$170 00
Canda & Kane, brick.....	Riverside Park, Construction of	17 50
Cornell, J. B. & J. M., iron posts, etc.....	Riverside Park, Construction of	355 10
Conterno, Luciano, music.....	Music.....	170 00
Cappa, C. A., music.....	Music.....	460 00

Consolidated Gas Co., gas	Labor, Maint.—Gen'l Maint..	\$85 00
	Zoological Department.....	17 25
	Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	16 75
	Police Supplies and Repairs...	25 25
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		\$144 25
Howell, F. W., golden elders, etc.....	Riverside Park, Construction of	148 75
Lanier, Charles, salaries and wages, Ameri- can Museum of Natural History, May Maintenance—Museums		2,300 52
Ward, Thomas, coal.....	Riverside Park, Construction of	4 75
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		<u>\$3,770 87</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Music.....	\$800 00
Riverside Park, Construction of.....	526 10
Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	85 00
Zoological Department	17 25
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	16 75
Police, Supplies and Repairs.....	25 25
Maintenance—Museums	2,300 52
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	<u>\$3,770 87</u>

Amounting to the sum of three thousand seven hundred and seventy dollars and eighty-seven cents,

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, June 5, 1891.

The above mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 2.30 P. M., the Board adjourned.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary,

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 1891—STATED MEETING, 11 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Dana, Tappen.

A quorum not being present, no business was transacted.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 1891—STATED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

On motion, the Board went into executive session.

The President presented the following report :

The President reports that, pursuant to the authority given me by the Board, I have approved a plan for the location of the Grant Monument at Riverside Park, and the same is herewith submitted to the Board.

After a conference with the Mayor, I also instructed Mr Kellogg to prepare a plan for the widening of the lane running from Claremont place and Riverside Drive, north, to One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street. The lane is now very steep and narrow, and should be widened and graded and macadamized. It will be necessary for this plan, with the resolution of this Board and the description of the property prepared by the Engineer, to be filed with the Board of Street Opening for their action.

The Engineer has also prepared a plan for a manure-pit and crematory near the stables at Eighty-fifth street. It is necessary that the manure-pit at least should be constructed, as the manure is at present stored in unsuitable places, particularly at the Sheepfold, where the question of drainage is a serious one. I recommend that the President be authorized to contract with the lowest bidder for the excavation of a manure-pit of the minimum size spoken of by Mr. Kellogg, viz.: 50 feet by 90 feet, at a cost not to exceed \$994. This can be let without public bidding, and doubtless the contract price will be as low as though the same were advertised.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment authorized the transfer of certain unexpended balances, amounting to \$8,500, to resurface the circles at Fifty-ninth street and Fifth and Eighth avenues, and specifications therefor have been prepared and are now submitted for approval.

The foundation wall on the west side of Mount Morris Park is now completed. As the park is wholly unprotected by a fence, and as in some places there is a descent from the street into the park which is dangerous, it is recommended that one of the plans herewith presented for a partial fence around Mount Morris Park be approved, and that the Board of Estimate be requested to make a special

appropriation for its construction. These plans were some time since presented to the Board and considered by them.

The question of bells and lights upon bicycles is considered in the Captain's report inclosed.

In view of the fact that Central Park has been opened to the public until 12 o'clock at night, request has been made that Seventy-second street, from Fifth to Eighth avenues, should be lighted with electric-lights. The residents in Seventy-second street complain that it is a generally used thoroughfare, and the Gas Commission should be requested to cause the same to be lighted when this Department fixes the places where the electric-light posts are to be placed and also lights. But a short time since a complaint was made that a housemaid was assaulted and robbed of her purse in going through Transverse Road No. 1. The matter was referred to the Captain of Police but no arrest was made.

During the past two weeks I have inspected the work at Claremont Park, Crotona Park, St. Mary's Park and Bronx Park. The work to be done at Bronx and Crotona is nearly finished. There is a gang at work making paths at St. Mary's. I have requested the Board of Aldermen to pass a resolution authorizing the placing of a hydrant to supply water for man and beast at St. Mary's Park, which has been adopted, and benches will be placed around the trees as soon as they can be made. It is hoped that as soon as the new sewer now being built at the southwest corner of St. Mary's Park crosses St. Mary's Lane, connection can be made with it so as to provide for toilet places in the park, and perhaps for draining the stagnant pond on the west side of it. This pond is not picturesque. It is a receptacle for all sorts of rubbish. It is not more than 30 or 40 feet across, and it is probably made entirely by the drainage from the hills within the park.

On Saturday, June 13, a great concourse of people made use of the Central Park going to and coming from the races at Morris Park. The park was also much used Sunday, June 14. The East Drive was almost wholly unwatered, and the dust was very thick. It appears that there could not have been effective superintendence of the work during those two days, and the contrast between the park roads and the roads outside of the park was noticeable. This was not primarily the fault of any of the foremen. Some of them have been there for many years, and the Superintendent has repeatedly said that they are good men. Nevertheless all along the park this breakdown occurred. It should have been known and could have been prevented by the exercise of a little care on the part of the chief executive officer. What is needed in the Central Park is that the foremen shall be directly supervised by a practical man who is always on the spot, who is continually making his rounds, and who is always on hand during the day and as late in the afternoon as necessary, and this work cannot be successfully coupled with the office work and clerical work and landscape gardening work which the Superintendent performs. I have, subject to the concurrence of the Board, detailed Patrick St. John as head foreman over all of the others, and have given him instructions which it is hoped will prevent a recurrence of anything that is subject to criticism.

With reference to the cleaning of Transverse Road No. 3, there is herewith submitted a proposition by the contractor who cleaned it to keep the same clean at the rate of \$100 per week. After a conference with the Commissioner of Public Works and the Corporation Counsel, and in accordance with the conclusion reached, I have directed the Captain of Police to withdraw the prohibition against the use of the Transverse Road by the contractor in charge of the excavation

of the old reservoir, and have instead thereof directed the Captain of Police to arrest him or his foremen, as well as the drivers, in case of any violations of law committed by them by permitting sand and earth to drop from the carts going to and from the reservoir.

Some correspondence has been had with the Manhattan Elevated Railway Company concerning the removal of the posts in the centre of Seventy-second street and Ninth avenue. The correspondence is herewith submitted. The final letter of June 17, 1891, states that it would cost \$27,000 to remove these posts, and as they were placed there with the consent of this Department and in accordance with the Rapid Transit Act the executive committee decline to take any action in the matter. So far as I can ascertain, however, the Department has never given such consent, as the posts were erected before Seventy-second street passed into our control.

On motion, those parts of the President's report respecting a proposed manure-pit and crematory near the Eighty-fifth street Stables; the erection of a fence around Mount Morris Park; the condition of the Park drives and the appointment of a head foreman, were laid over, and the balance of the report was approved by the following vote:

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it do adjourn to meet Wednesday, July 1, at 11 o'clock A. M.

On motion, at 11 o'clock A. M., the executive session arose.

Mr. E. G. Marsh, representing 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 advertisements duly published in the CITY RECORD for the following works:

For Repairing and Repaving with Rock Asphalt the Walks within the City Parks other than Central Park.

BIDDERS.	10,800 SQUARE FEET OF PAVEMENT OF ROCK ASPHALTE WITH CONCRETE BASE.	37,000 SQUARE FEET OF PAVEMENT OF ROCK ASPHALTE WITHOUT CONCRETE BASE.	AMOUNT.
The Neuchatel Asphalt Co., Limited—			
For Neuchatel.....	23½ cents.	15 cents.	\$8,088 00
For Limmer.....	19½ “	11 “	6,176 00
The Sicilian Asphalt Pavement Co.....	20 “	10 “	5,860 00
Ed. H. Wootton.....	21 “	12 “	6,708 00

For Furnishing and Delivering Forage.

ITEMS.	ESTIMATED QUANTITIES.	1		2	
		THEODORE P. HUFFMAN & Co.		HORACE INGERSOLL.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1. Hay	300,000 lbs.	\$0 75	\$2,250 00	\$0 90	\$2,700 00
2. Rye straw.....	40,000 "	85	340 00	90	360 00
3. White oats	2,000 bags.	1 20	2,400 00	90	1,800 00
4. Yellow corn.....	300 "	1 50	450 00	90	270 00
5. Bran.....	350 "	40	140 00	90	315 00
Amount.....	.....	.....	\$5,580 00	.....	\$5,445 00

The minutes of the meetings of June 3, 5 and 10 were read and approved.

Walter W. Vrooman and John P. Faure, Secretary St. John's Guild, appeared and were heard in relation to the matter of the proposed children's playground.

The following communications were received :

From T. F. Sheehan, in behalf of the Veteran Zouave Battalion, requesting permission to enter Central Park on July 4 as a military organization, with music, to assist in raising the flag at the old Block House, in Central Park.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the Secretary was directed to reply that the regulations of the Department prevent military parades within the parks.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a copy of a resolution authorizing this Department to contract for the construction of exhibition cases for the American Museum of Natural History without public letting. Filed.

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting a copy of a resolution transferring the sum of \$8,500 to the appropriation for "Labor, Maintenance and Supplies—Construction and Repairs," to be used for resurfacing the Plaza at Fifty-ninth street and Fifth avenue and the Circle at Fifty-ninth street and Eighth avenue. Filed.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, advising of the confirmation of the proceeding for the extension of East River Park. Filed.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Engineer of Construction was directed to make a topographical survey of the land acquired for the enlargement of East River Park.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, advising the Department as to the propriety of allowing certain calculations to be made for use in connection with objections filed before the Board of Assessors, to the assessment list for the construction of Riverside Drive. Filed.

James A. Deering appeared, and was heard in relation to the application of John C. Shaw, for permission to make calculations from the plans, etc., of Riverside Drive.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That the application made by Mr. Shaw, on behalf of the property-owners, for an inspection of the records of this Department, which show the cost of the Riverside Drive and avenue improvement, and also an individual application by Mr. Deering, as a property-owner, for the inspection of the same documents, be referred to the Board of Assessors, with the request that they advise this Department whether they desire the information contained in these records.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From James Jourdan, in relation to the use of Battery Park by the elevated railroads and favoring the granting of additional facilities. Filed.

From District Assembly No. 49 of the Knights of Labor, favoring the removal of all elevated railroad structures from the Battery Park. Filed.

From Julian T. Davies, relative to postponing the arguments in the matter of the proposed removal of the elevated railways from the Battery Park. Filed.

From the Manhattan Railway Company, asking permission to erect columns for an elevated railway station at Sixty-sixth street and Columbus avenue.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup permission was granted, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Third Avenue Railroad Company, asking permission to erect an awning to shelter car horses at Third avenue, between Sixth and Seventh streets. Granted.

From Alfred Zucker, asking permission to erect bay windows on a hotel building to be erected by Jacob Rothschild, on Central Park, West.

Commissioner Dana offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department be and the same hereby is given to the erection of bay windows on the hotel building now being erected by Jacob Rothschild on Central Park, West, between Seventy-first and Seventy-second streets, the said windows not to project more than eighteen inches beyond the building line, as shown on a plan submitted.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From a Committee of the Danes residing in the United States, desiring to present a statue of Berthel Thorwaldsen, for erection in the parks. Referred to the Presidents of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the National Academy of Design and the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects for examination and report.

From U. S. Grant Post, G. A. R., thanking the Department for facilities shown the Committee having in charge the memorial services at the tomb of General Grant on Memorial Day. Filed.

From the Palisades Amusement Company, offering to allow their band to give concerts in the park while awaiting the opening date of their place of amusement. Filed.

From the Egyptian Preservation and Paint Company, proposing to treat the obelisk to protect it from the action of the weather. Filed.

From Albert S. Roe, respecting the character of the pavement used on the roadway of West Seventy-second street. Filed.

From John H. Tyson, asking permission to sell soda-water on the north meadow in Central Park. Denied.

From Edward Holland & Company, in relation to the cleaning of the Central Park Transverse roads. Laid over.

From J. C. Cady & Co., inclosing estimates of D. S. Hess & Co., for furnishing exhibition cases for the American Museum of Natural History.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That a contract for constructing three wall cases, required for the enlargement of the American Museum of Natural History, be awarded to D. S. Hess & Co., at one thousand nine hundred dollars, and that the President be authorized to sign the same for and on behalf of the Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes--Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen--3.

From the Director of the Menagerie, asking authority to exchange two deer, two goats, and one zebu calf for one pair chestnut backed pheasants, one pair peacock pheasants and one pair European widgeon.

On motion, the exchange, as recommended, was authorized by the following vote :

Ayes--Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen--3.

From the Engineer in charge of the New Parks, reporting upon the sale at auction of the grass standing on the New Parks. Filed.

Commissioner Tappen submitted an affidavit of M. Curley, stating the facts as to the damage done a coupe rockaway while in use by this Department, and recommended that \$175 be allowed Mr. Curley, as compensation for such use and damage.

On motion, the recommendation of Commissioner Tappen was approved, and the claim of M. Curley was approved and audited by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Tappen, to whom was referred the matter of the application of John H. Matthews for permission to construct a driveway across the sidewalk of Riverside Drive, presented a report recommending the granting of the application, provided that the driveway shall not be used for the transportation of building materials for the building now in process of erection.

On motion, the report and recommendation of Commissioner Tappen were approved.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Relative to the delay on the work under contract for constructing foundation walls around Mount Morris Park. Referred to the President with power.

2d. In relation to the preparation of specifications for resurfacing the Plaza at Fifty-ninth street and Fifth avenue, and the Circle at Eighth avenue and Fifty-ninth street.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the specifications and form of contract for repairing the Plaza and Circle be printed, and when 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. Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

3d. Reporting delay on the work under contract for erecting an iron boiler and engine-house over the draw span of the Madison Avenue Bridge. Filed.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to notify the contractor that unless the work is resumed before July 1, with sufficient force to complete the same by August 1, the same will be declared abandoned.

4th. Submitting modified plans and specifications for an entrance on the west side of Central Park at One Hundred and Sixth street.

On motion, said plans and specifications as modified were approved and the work was ordered readvertised by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

5th. Submitting a time statement on the contract for improving the Parade Ground in Van Cortlandt Park, and recommending that the penalty for thirty-three days overtime be charged against the contractor.

On motion, the recommendation of the Engineer was approved by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

6th. Submitting an estimate of the cost of constructing a manure pit and yard adjoining Transverse Road No. 3, in Central Park. Laid over.

7th. Submitting an estimate of the cost of constructing a driveway entrance to Central Park at Fifth avenue and One Hundred and Tenth street. Filed.

8th. Submitting plans for the improvement of the Fourth Avenue Parks, between Fifty-sixth and Fifty-seventh streets ; also, specifications for mason and granite work only, for several of the said parks. Laid over.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Recommending the acceptance of an offer of A. C. Pucci to deliver a quantity of mould, free of charge, on Riverside Park.

On motion, the Superintendent was authorized to accept the mould by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

2d. Recommending that electric lights be provided for lighting the dock at Castle Garden, and also Abingdon Square.

On motion, said recommendation was approved and ordered communicated to the Gas Commission.

3d. Giving a list of plants required by the Department of Public Charities and Correction for use at Bellevue Hospital, and stating that the same could be spared from the park beds. Approved.

4th. Reporting adversely upon an application of C. W. Starr for permission to sell ice-water in Central Park.

On motion, the application was denied.

5th. Reporting adversely upon an application of H. B. Levy for permission to sell soda-water on the park tennis grounds.

On motion, the application was denied.

6th. Reporting adversely upon an application of J. P. Cavalliers for permission to erect and operate a maze or labyrinth near the Mall in the park. Filed.

From the Property Clerk, submitting an inventory of property of the Department for the six months ending December 31, 1890. Filed.

From the Captain of Police :

1st. Reporting as to the advisability of prohibiting the use of the park benches after 2 o'clock A. M. Filed.

2d. Reporting in relation to the use of bells on bicycles passing through the park. Filed.

From the Surgeon of Police in relation to the awarding of badges to members of the Park Police by the Society for Instruction in First Aid to the Injured, and recommending that such a badge be awarded to Park Policeman Rudolph Eichler for efficiency in rendering "first aid."

On motion, a "first aid" badge was awarded to Officer Eichler as recommended by the Surgeon.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, the plans for a fence at Mount Morris Park were referred to the Landscape Architect for report.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, plans for sheds to be erected at McGown's Pass Tavern in Central Park were referred to the Landscape Architect for recommendation.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the contracts for which proposals have been this day received be awarded as follows :

For repairing and repaving walks in the City Parks, to the Sicilian Asphalt Paving Company at five thousand eight hundred and sixty dollars ;

For furnishing and delivering forage, to Horace Ingersoll at five thousand four hundred and forty-five dollars ;

—they being the lowest bidders ; that their proposals be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of the sureties, and when so approved that the President be authorized to sign the contracts for and on behalf of the Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The Board then proceeded to consider evidence taken in the trials of Park Policemen.

John E. Hactor, charged with being absent from duty without leave, conduct unbecoming an officer, and with being absent without leave and conduct unbecoming an officer (three charges), was found guilty as charged and fined ten days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Francis Mahon, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Francis Mahon, charged with neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

William S. Ryerson, charged with being off post and with neglect of duty (two charges), was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Rudolph Eichler, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Francis J. McGuire, charged with being late at roll-call, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

James J. Cain, charged with sleeping on post, was found guilty as charged and fined five days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Patrick Cavanagh, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

James L. Havey, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Roundsman James E. Dillon, charged with being late at roll call, was found guilty and cautioned.

Andrew J. McNulty, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Andrew J. McNulty, charged with neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Selah T. Terwilliger, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Thomas P. Corcoran, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

John Murphy, charged with violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty and cautioned.

Owen Donnelly, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty and cautioned.

Thomas F. Patterson, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

James D. Cotter, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Thomas J. Howard, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Hubert L. Howard, charged with violation of rules and being off post, was found guilty and cautioned.

Thomas J. McCarthy, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty and cautioned.

James Ryan, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Hutchins, Dana—3.

Jeremiah Burke, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Thomas Shea, charged with neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Secretary be and he hereby is authorized to have prepared an analytical index of the minutes of this Board for the year ending April 30, 1891, at an expense not exceeding \$75.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The President 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 :

Arnold, David P., meat.....	Zoological Department.....	\$134 40
Abeel Bres., iron, steel, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.	30 14
Burns, Donald, snakes.....	Zoological Department.....	160 00
Bucki, Chas. L. & Co., yellow pine	New Parks north of Harlem	
	River, Care of.....	200 10
Barron, Jas. S. & Co., rakes, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.	89 75
Coffin, Paul C., galvanized chains, etc....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.	\$53 63
	New Parks north of Harlem	
	River, Care of.....	16 00
		69 63
Cappa, C. A., music.....	Music	910 00
Conterno, Luciano, music.....	Music.....	170 00

Colwell Lead Co., plumbers' repairs.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		\$8 10
Chadborn & Caldwell Manufacturing Co., horse boots	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		28 00
Decker, T. W. & Sons, milk.....	Zoological Department.....		15 19
Dickinson Bros. & King, cement.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		55 00
Doty, Thos. H. & Co., hay, etc.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs..		39 65
Dunham, Thos. C., paints, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		228 91
Ellis, C. C. & Son, bread.....	Zoological Department.....		83 70
East River Mill and Lumber Co. (The), pine, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		386 52
Fiske, J. W., jets.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		10 50
Force, Wm. A. & Co., stamps.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		2 00
Giffen & Loomes, doctors, professional ser- vices, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.	\$76 66	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	73 34	
			150 00
Hodgman Rubber Company, boots.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		3 36
Hopper, Isaac A., restoring pavements....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.	\$30 00	
	Restoring and Repaving.....	71 08	
			101 08
Harmer, Hays & Co., harness repairs.	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		33 40
Heylman, Charles, oats, etc.....	New Parks north of Harlem River, Care of.....		28 91
Haggerty, J. Henry, oil.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		4 65
Keuffel & Esser Co., helio paper.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		26 71
Leiboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band, music.	Music.....		170 00
McKesson & Robbins, potash.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		2 13
Merrill & Wehrle Charcoal Co., charcoal..	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		6 00
McLaughlin, James, broken stone.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		960 00
O'Brien, Jno. J., coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		28 50
Patterson Brothers, washers.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		4 14
Page Woven Wire Fence Co., wire fence..	Zoological Department.....		121 40
Parsons & Sons Co. (Limited), plants.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		101 50
Ruhe, Louis, mocking-bird food.....	Zoological Department.....		18 00
Robbins, Rowland A., shovels, etc.....	Zoological Department.....	\$35 65	
	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.	42 76	
			78 41
Rehm & Co., red flag.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		7 00
Sanborn, Perris Map Co. (Limited), maps, 1890.....	Maintenance—23d and 24th Wards, 1890.....		100 00
Squier, George L., Manufacturing Co., The, watering-pots.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		22 50
Sellew, T. G., repairs to desks, etc	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		16 00

Thorburn, James M. & Co., hemp seed..... Zoological Department.....	\$4 00
Tyndale, B. S., fish..... Zoological Department.....	38 75
Whitman Saddle Co., leather, etc., 1890.. Police—Supplies, 1890.....	45 23
Whitman Saddle Co., saddles, etc..... Police—Supplies and Repairs.	25 50
Young, William, sod..... Labor, Maint.—General Maint.	97 50
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	\$4,816 26
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance--General Maintenance.....	\$2,355 36
Zoological Department.....	611 09
Care and Maintenance of New Parks North of Harlem River.....	245 01
Music.....	1,250 00
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	138 49
Police—Supplies, 1890.....	45 23
Restoring and Repaving—Special Fund.....	71 08
Maintenance—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, 1890.....	100 00
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	\$4,816 26
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Amounting to the sum of four thousand eight hundred and sixteen dollars and twenty-six cents.

A. GALLUP,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, June 24, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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.

Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band, Music.....	\$340 00
Conterno, Luciano, Music.....	170 00
Cady, J. C. & Co., professional services... Am. Mus. Nat. History, En- largement of.....	1,236 91
Hanna, Robt. & Co., payment accept.... Van Cortlandt Park Parade Ground, Construction of....	26,397 79
Mitchell, Wm. P., tree labels..... Settees.....	129 00
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	\$28,273 70
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RECAPITULATION.

Music.....	\$510 00
American Museum of Natural History, Enlargement of.....	1,236 91

Van Cortlandt Park Parade Ground, Construction of	\$26,397 79	
Settees.....	129 00	
		<u>\$28,273 70</u>

Amounting to the sum of twenty-eight thousand two hundred and seventy-three dollars and seventy cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, June 24, 1891.

The above mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band, music. Music.....		\$170 00
Conterno, Luciano, music..... Music.....		170 00
Leiboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band, music. Music.....		170 00
Mason, F. H. D., petty disbursements..... Labor, Maint.—General Maint.	\$165 30	
	Zoological Department.....	63 71
	Police—Supplies.....	2 50
	New Parks north of Harlem River, Care of.....	49 10
		<u>280 61</u>
		<u>\$790 61</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$165 30	
Zoological Department	63 71	
Police—Supplies.....	2 50	
New Parks north of Harlem River, Care and Maintenance of.....	49 10	
Music.....	510 00	
		<u>\$790 61</u>

Amounting to the sum of seven hundred and ninety dollars and sixty-one cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, June 24, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 1.30 P. M., the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, July 1, at 11 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.
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Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, half-pay was allowed William Cashman, Inspector of Clothing, for time lost by him on account of sickness, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Messrs. Andrew and Francis Blessing were heard in relation to the improvement of the Plaza at Fifth avenue and One Hundred and Tenth street.

On motion, the matter was referred to Commissioner Tappen to confer with the Messrs. Blessing and the Engineer of Construction and report.

Commissioner Tappen submitted a report in relation to the preservation of the Pell and Van Cortlandt burial plots in Pelham Bay and Van Cortlandt Parks, and Mr. Ogden was heard in relation thereto.

On motion, the matter was laid over until the 8th instant.

The following communications were received :

From Erastus Wiman, enclosing a copy of a communication addressed by him to the Board of Aldermen respecting the proposed removal of the elevated railway tracks from Battery Park. Filed.

From John W. Cromwell, applying for permission for a Sunday-school at Tremont to make a display of fireworks in Claremont Park on the 9th instant.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the application was granted.

From James Jones and others, applying for the privilege of occupying the building known as the Mahoney House in Pelham Bay Park for the purpose of selling refreshments.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the matter was referred to Commissioner Tappen, with power, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From Charles Buek & Co., applying for a permit to place building material on the east side of Riverside Drive, extending one hundred and twenty feet north of Seventy-eighth street.

On motion, a permit was ordered granted, the materials to be placed on the sidewalk, leaving a suitable passageway open and the brick and cement to be immediately removed within the house line.

From the Commissioner of Public Works, replying to a communication respecting the defective condition of the pavement at the intersection of Tenth avenue and Seventy-second street. Filed.

From the Forty-second Street, Manhattanville and St. Nicholas Avenue Railroad Company, asking the approval of this Department to a railway crossing at Seventy-second street and Tenth avenue.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the consent of the Department was given to the construction of railways across Seventy-second street at Tenth avenue, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending that the roadway of West Seventy-second street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues, be resurfaced with trap-block screenings. Filed.

From the Board of Assessors, in relation to an application made to this Department by John C. Shaw, for permission for an engineer to make certain calculations required in connection with objections made against the assessment for improving and constructing Riverside Drive.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, the desired information was ordered furnished to the Board of Assessors.

From the Secretary of the Civil Service Boards, advising the Department of an amendment made to Regulation 46, of the New York City Civil Service Regulations. Filed.

From the Building Committee of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in relation to two manholes required to be built in connection with the work being done under the contract for fire extinguishing service, etc., and not provided for in said contract. Referred to the Engineer of Construction for report.

From J. C. Cady & Company, architects, enclosing an estimate from B. & W. B. Smith, for adding six additional feet in length to each of two exhibition cases in the American Museum of Natural History, amounting to \$480.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, an order was authorized to be issued to B. & W. B. Smith for doing the work at an expense not to exceed the amount of their estimate by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From A. L. Tuckerman, architect, relative to the sale at auction of the old elevator at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Filed.

From the Property Clerk, submitting a statement of an auction sale of surplus sheep, wool, etc., on 30th ultimo. Filed.

From James McCauley, auctioneer—Submitting a statement and return of an auction sale of grass on the New Parks on 22d ultimo. Filed.

From the Superintendent of Parks, submitting several plans for increasing the shed accommodations at McGown's Pass Tavern in the Central Park.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, one of said plans marked "A" was approved and referred to the Engineer of Construction, with direction to prepare specifications and submit estimates, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The President, 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 :

Brown & Fleming, Estimate No. 1.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance	\$3,308 40
Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band, music.	Music.....	170 00
Cappa, C. A., music.....	Music.....	880 00
Dill, S. D., desk case, etc.....	Am. Mus. Natural History,	
	Enlargement of.....	1,488 00
Leiboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band, music.	Music.....	170 00
Mitchell, Wm. P., tree labels	Settees	868 50
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		\$6,884 90

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General	Maintenance	\$3,308 40
Music.....	1,220 00
Settees.....	868 50
American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of....	1,488 00
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		\$6,884 90

Amounting to the sum of six thousand eight hundred and eighty-four dollars and ninety cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, July 1, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Boyle, John & Co., canvas	Harlem River Bridges—Supplies	\$1 50	
	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....	1 02	
			\$2 52
Barron, James H. & Co., twine	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$4 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	19 00	
	Harlem River Bridges—Supplies.....	5 20	
			28 20
Conway & Co., coal.....	New Parks north of Harlem River, Care of.....		20 00
Dunham, Thomas C., alcohol.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		19 85
Hell Gate Oil Works, oil.....	Harlem River Bridges—Supplies		30 30
Mackey's ABC Guide, Mackey's Guide....	Zoological Department.....		6 00
Thorn, T. & W. & Co. hay, etc.....	Police—Supplies.....		47 38
Taussig, E. & Co., disinfecting fluid.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		78 00
Westerfield, E. T., repairs, etc., trucks....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		852 40
			<u>\$1,084 65</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	\$37 00	
Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance.....	955 27	
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	66 38	
Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem River.....	20 00	
Zoological Department.....	6 00	
		<u>\$1,084 65</u>

Amounting to the sum of one thousand and eighty four dollars and sixty-five cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, July 1, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion, the sale at auction of the old boilers at the One Hundred and Fifth Street Greenhouses, in the Central Park, was ordered.

On motion, at 11.40 A. M., the Board went into executive session.

The report of the President, submitted at the meeting of June 24, was then taken up and considered.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, Commissioner Tappen was requested to act as a committee in charge of the New Parks north of Harlem river, with special reference to their maintenance and improvement.

From the Captain of Police, reporting relative to a complaint made by A. Haviland of the conduct of Park Policeman Walker.

On motion, the Captain was directed to prefer charges against Officer Walker.

The Board then proceeded to consider evidence taken in the trials of Park Policemen.

John J. Doolady, charged with violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

James McKeagney, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty and cautioned.

John Hoey, charged with being off post, was found guilty and cautioned.

Frank T. Baldwin, charged with being off post, was found guilty and cautioned.

Thomas Flynn, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Jeremiah Burke, charged with neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Charles Grimm, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty and reprimanded.

James J. Cain, charged with neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes - Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Andrew J. McNulty, charged with neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Patrick Linehan, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty and cautioned.

Michael E. Dolan, charged with being absent from duty without leave.

On motion, charge dismissed.

Joseph Harris, charged with violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined five days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

James McInerney, charged with sitting down on post and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Aaron Rose, charged with being off post, was found guilty and reprimanded.

Thomas J. Howard, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty as charged and fined one-half day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

William C. Bergen, charged with sitting down on post and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Roundsman Thomas J. McAviney, charged with being absent from duty without leave was found guilty and cautioned.

Sergeant John B. Mulholland, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From James E. Young, resigning his position as a Park Policeman. Filed.

From J. Howard King, complaining of the conduct of Officer Young while on duty at Battery Park, on 28th ultimo. Filed.

From the Engineer of Construction, reporting upon the condition of the flooring and foundation of the Castle Garden building. Filed.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, Commissioner Dana was appointed a committee with power to arrange for such musical or other entertainment at Castle Garden as he might deem proper, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, plans and specifications for a manure pit in the Central Park were approved, and the Secretary was directed to procure estimates for doing the work, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 12.15 P. M., the executive session arose and the Board adjourned to meet on Wednesday, 8th inst., at 10 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

Mr. Connolly, of the office of the Counsel to the Corporation, appeared before the Board and advised that an appeal should be taken from the decision of the Court in the case of Thomas Thornton for reinstatement as a laborer on the parks.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be requested to appeal from the order of the Special Term granting a writ of peremptory mandamus for the restoration of Thomas Thornton as a laborer in this Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Mr. T. L. Ogden was heard in relation to the preservation of burial plots in Van Cortlandt and Pelham Bay Parks. The matter was laid over until the next meeting.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That the iron work of the bridge over Pelham Bay Creek be painted.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the matter of painting the bridge was referred to Commissioner Tappen with power, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The minutes of the meeting of June 24, 1891, were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a copy of preamble and resolutions opposing the use of any of the public parks for railway purposes. Filed.

From Julien T. Davies, opposing the revocation of the license under which the elevated railway is permitted the use of a portion of Battery Park. Filed.

From John J. Hopper, applying for an extension of three months' time in which to complete the work under his contract for the erection of granite and blue-stone steps, platforms, etc., on Morningside Park on account of delays in receiving granite. Referred to the Engineer of Construction for report.

From R. H. Robertson, architect, applying for permission to erect bay windows on a dwelling to be built by James A. Burden at the southeast corner of Fifth avenue and Seventy-second street.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department be and the same hereby is given to the erection of bay windows on a dwelling to be erected by James A. Burden at the southeast corner of Fifth avenue and Seventy-second street, the said windows not to project more than five feet beyond the house line of Fifth avenue, nor more than four feet beyond the house line of Seventy-second street, as shown on a plan submitted.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Engineer of Construction, reporting upon a communication from the Washington Memorial Arch Committee in relation to the alteration of walks, roadways, etc., in Washington Square in connection with the arch. Filed.

From the Captain of Police :

1st. Reporting upon the condition of the horses used by the Park Police. Filed.

2d. Forwarding an application of Peter F. Rafferty and eight other Park policemen for an increase of their pay to that of policemen of the first grade. Filed.

On motion, the matter of increasing the shed accommodations at McGown's Pass Tavern in Central Park was referred to Commissioner Dana for examination and report.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending that the quantity of gravel called for in the contract under which gravel is now being furnished the Department be increased 1,250 cubic yards for use of the Central Park drives.

On motion, the matter was referred to the President with power by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Superintendent of Parks and the Landscape Architect, reporting upon the plans prepared by the Engineer of Construction for a railing for parks on Fourth avenue.

Commissioner Gallup called up the plans for improving the Fourth Avenue Parks, between Fifty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets, and the specifications for mason and granite work for several of said parks, submitted by the Engineer of Construction and laid over on the 24th ultimo, and moved that the same be approved ; that the specifications be printed, and when 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.

Which was carried by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

L. J. Callanan appeared and presented an application for permission to hold a public meeting in Battery Park, on Friday, 10th instant, on the subject of the removal of the elevated railway structures from said park, the speakers to address the meeting from the music stand, or at some other portion of the park as may be directed by the Department.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the application was granted, the meeting not to interfere with the arrangements for the concert to be given in Battery Park on that evening, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That having in view the appropriations for labor and maintenance it has become necessary to limit and decrease the force of laborers on the parks, and that no further increase is possible at present.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The Secretary presented statements of the moneys received by the Department and deposited in the City Treasury during the months of May and June, which were ordered entered upon the minutes as follows :

Statement of Moneys deposited in the City Treasury during the month of May, 1891.

1891.		LICENSES.	
May	4. R. M. Watson	.....	\$15 34
"	4. Henry Castrop	.....	21 54
"	6. Dennis F. Cray	.....	12 38
"	7. W. H. Radford	.....	612 10
"	7. Isidor Isaac (carrousel)	.....	84 00
"	7. " (goat carriages)	.....	19 07
"	8. Edward Flynn	.....	28 00
"	12. Gabriel Case	.....	429 17
"	13. C. Schwarz	.....	9 71
"	13. John Lucas	.....	15 72
"	19. Oscar H. Riker	.....	28 38
			\$1,275 41

FOUND.

May 16. Property Clerk, receipts for April..... 18 00

SUNDRY RECEIPTS.

1891.

May 1. Director of Menagerie, hides..... \$24 00

RENTS.

May	1.	A. J. Wood, April, Blizzard Cottage, Pelham.....	\$8 00	
"	2.	S. E. Marshall, April, dwelling, Pelham.....	100 00	
"	2.	Bronx Bleaching Company, April, factory, etc., Bronx Park....	100 00	
"	4.	J. H. Monroe, February 1 to April 30, dwelling, Pelham.....	150 00	
"	4.	R. M. Watson, March, dwelling, Pelham.....	25 00	
"	6.	Mary Thomas, April and May, dwelling, Pelham.....	10 00	
"	8.	W. R. Birchell, April, house, Bronx.....	4 00	
"	13.	H. B. Bolton, rent to date, dwelling, Bronx.....	165 00	
"	19.	George A. Adee, April, dwelling, Pelham.....	41 66	
				603 66
				\$1,921 07
				\$1,921 07

Statement of Moneys deposited in the City Treasury during the Month of June, 1891.

LICENSES.

1891.

June	1.	Augustus Lawrence.....	\$17 15	
"	1.	R. M. Watson.....	17 43	
"	1.	Edward Flynn.....	18 64	
"	2.	Henry Castrop.....	51 30	
"	4.	Isidor Isaac (carrousel).....	142 07	
"	4.	" (goat carriages).....	38 48	
"	4.	William H. Radford.....	1,065 55	
"	5.	Denis F. Cray.....	28 90	
"	8.	Max L. Jacobs.....	7 94	
"	10.	John Lucas.....	21 73	
"	11.	Gabriel Case.....	787 30	
"	11.	Charles Schwarz.....	103 08	
"	13.	O. H. Riker.....	58 70	
"	15.	C. H. Schultz.....	59 90	
"	29.	E. S. Stokes.....	1,506 83	
				\$3,925 00

POUND.

June 8. Property Clerk, receipts, May..... 22 00

GRASS.

June 8. Property Clerk, receipts, May..... 29 00

SUNDRY RECEIPTS.

1891.

June	1.	Director of Menagerie, hides, May.....	\$14 00	
"	2.	George P. Morgan, proceeds auction sale.....	584 60	
"	25.	James McCauley, proceeds auction sale of grass.....	965 65	
				<u>\$1,564 25</u>

RENTS.

June	1.	Richard Hall, July 1, 1890, to June 30, 1891, house, Pelham..	\$200 00	
"	1.	D. N. Caruthers, May, house, Pelham.....	25 00	
"	1.	Robert Greenhalgh, May, house, Bronx.....	5 00	
"	1.	Thomas Byrnes, May, house, Bronx.....	5 00	
"	1.	P. T. Weir, March 1 to May 31, 1891, shanty, Pelham.....	15 00	
"	1.	James E. Connor, May, house, Pelham.....	40 00	
"	1.	Mary J. Doyle, May, dwelling, Pelham.....	10 00	
"	1.	R. M. Watson, April, house, Pelham.....	25 00	
"	2.	S. E. Marshall, May, house, Pelham.....	100 00	
"	2.	A. J. Wood, May, house, Pelham.....	8 00	
"	3.	Mary Jardine, August 1, 1890, to February 14, 1891, house, Pelham.....	65 00	
"	3.	Bronx Bleaching Company, May, building, etc., Bronx.....	100 00	
"	3.	John Bromley, May, house, Bronx.....	8 00	
"	3.	Francis May, August 1, 1890, to June 30, 1891, house, Pelham.	50 00	
"	4.	Edward McCue, May, house, Bronx.....	5 00	
"	5.	Fred. Scherender, May, house, Bronx.....	5 00	
"	5.	W. E. Burchell, May, house, Bronx.....	4 00	
"	18.	C. D. Burrill, January 1, 1891, to June 30, 1891, dwelling, Pelham.....	250 00	
"	30.	George A. Adey, May, house, Pelham.....	41 67	
				<u>961 67</u>
				<u>\$6,501 92</u>

The President 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 :

Abeel Brothers, horseshoe iron, etc.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	\$43 08
Consolidated Gas Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	\$82 62
	Zoological Department.....	15 88
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	18 62
	Harlem River Bridges—Sup-	
	plies.....	14 50
		<u>131 62</u>

Chadborn & Caldwell Mfg. Co., repairs, etc	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	\$27 64
Coffin, Paul C., bolts, etc	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	49 86
Colwell Lead Co., lead pipe, etc	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	129 01
Case, Gabriel, assignee of Peter Manee, flagstaff	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	220 00
Keuffel & Esser Co., helio. paper	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	6 19
McKesson & Robbins, camphor	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	2 50
Moffat, David & Co., leather	Police—Supplies and Repairs ..	26 68
N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., The, gas	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	42 50
Smith, Clifford E., wheel plates	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	3 60
Westerfield, E. T., repairs, etc., water- trucks	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	346 70
		\$1,029 38

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance	\$910 62
Police Supplies and Repairs	88 38
Zoological Department	15 88
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies	14 50
	\$1,029 38

Amounting to the sum of one thousand and twenty-nine dollars and thirty-eight cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, July 8, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band.....	Music.....		\$170 00
Connor, George A.....	Music.....		110 00
Cappa, C. A.....	Music.....		460 00
Conterno, Luciano.....	Music.....		170 00
Eben, Felix I.....	Music.....		680 00
Leiboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band.....	Music.....		340 00
Mason, F. H. D., petty disbursements.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General		
	Maintenance.....	\$134 22	
	Zoological Department.....	14 56	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	26 25	
	Care of New Parks, north of		
	Harlem River.....	74 26	
			249 29
			<u>\$2,179 29</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Music.....	\$1,930 00
Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	134 22
Zoological Department.....	14 56
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	26 25
Care and Maintenance of New Parks, north of Harlem River.....	74 26
	<u>\$2,179 29</u>

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

A. GALLUP, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, July 8, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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.

Pierce, John, Estimate No. 1.....	Metropolitan Museum of Art, Completion of North Extension.....	\$7,498 32
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Wales, Salem H., Treasurer, salary, etc.,	
Metropolitan Museum of Art.....Maintenance—Museums.....	\$3,517 83
	<u>\$11,016 15</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Metropolitan Museum of Art, Completion of North Extension.....	\$7,498 32	
Maintenance—Museums.....	3,517 83	
	<u>3,517 83</u>	<u>\$11,016 15</u>

Amounting to the sum of eleven thousand and sixteen dollars and fifteen cents.

A. GALLUP, }
 A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, July 8, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Comptroller, enclosing a copy of an opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, advising that the completed Washington Bridge should be turned over to this Department. Filed.

On motion, at 11.30 A. M., the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, 15th instant, at 10 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

The Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company having heretofore obtained permission to maintain its tracks upon and across the Harlem Bridge for the purpose of running cars across the said bridge, which cars have been heretofore operated by animal traction, and the said company having determined to operate its cars across the said bridge and upon the rest of its route by electric traction, and the said company having submitted to the Department of Public Parks, a map and plan showing the nature of the construction proposed to be made and hereafter operated ;

Now, for the purpose of enabling them to effect such change, and for the purpose of securing the proper operation of the bridge as a drawbridge when so operated and for the purpose of securing to the public the greater facilities to be afforded by the use of electric power as a motive power, and for other purposes ;

Resolved, That the said plan and map so submitted be, and the same is hereby approved, and directed to be filed.

Further resolved, that the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company is required, requested and directed to maintain its tracks upon and across the Harlem Bridge as set forth in the said map and plan, and is permitted to run cars operated by electric power thereon, and to erect upon the bridge poles fit to carry the wires necessary for the propulsion of the said electric cars upon the bridge, and to construct whatever additional fixtures and wires may be required for such purposes, and there is hereby granted to said company full power and authority to run cars to be operated by electric power on the said tracks so to be constructed upon and across the Harlem Bridge. Provided, however, that the said railway company shall continue to maintain an additional covering of plank upon the roadway on said bridge of the full width thereof, as they have hitherto maintained the same, and to keep the same in repair ; and provided further, that the said company shall so construct its tracks, poles, wires and fixtures and appurtenances, and shall so run and manage and operate its cars as not to impair the use of the bridge as a drawbridge, and

provided further, that the said company shall submit a detailed specification for the work to be done to this Department for approval ; and further, that this permission shall be subject to any change in the elevation or grade of the bridge and approaches.

Further resolved, That should it be found at any time inoperative or inadvisable by the said company to operate its cars by electric traction, it may abandon the use of such power and revert to the use of animal power.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment appropriated the sum of ten thousand dollars for the construction of a dock in Pelham Park during the year 1891 ; and,

Whereas, This Department has been advised by the Corporation Counsel that the construction of such dock should not be commenced until the title to the land below high-water mark shall have been acquired by the City of New York from the State ; and,

Whereas, It will be impossible for such proceedings to be completed during the year 1891, so that a contract for the construction of said dock can be entered into ; and,

Whereas, The appropriation for the care and maintenance of the New Parks is much less than is necessary, the Pelham Bridge and the City Island Bridge especially being in need of extensive repairs and there being no personal conveniences or cottages in the New Parks suitable for the use of the public, and the appropriation at the command of this Department being wholly insufficient to provide the same ;

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to transfer the sum of ten thousand dollars, so appropriated for the construction of a dock at Pelham Bay Park, to the appropriation for the care and maintenance of the New Parks north of the Harlem river.

Which were adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Tappen called up the matter of the report made by him and laid over on 1st instant respecting the preservation of burial plots in Van Cortlandt and Pelham Bay parks, and Mr. T. L. Ogden appeared and was heard in relation thereto.

Commissioner Tappen moved that permission be granted to the representatives of the Pell family to make repairs by way of preservation or restoration of the Pell family burial plot in Pelham Bay Park as the same now exists, and that a similar permission be granted to the representatives of the Van Cortlandt and Bayley families with respect to the Van Cortlandt and Bayley family burial plot and vault in the same enclosure in Van Cortlandt Park, subject to the rules and regulations governing the public parks and the management thereof and both permits to be revocable without notice.

Which was carried by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

A communication was received from A. P. Boller, Consulting Engineer, submitting form of contract with specifications and drawings for the proposed new bridge over the Harlem river at Seventh avenue.

Mr. Boller was also heard in relation thereto.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the detailed drawings and specifications for the construction of the proposed new bridge over Harlem river, submitted by A. P. Boller, Consulting Engineer, be and the same are in all respects approved by this Department and that the same be forthwith transmitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for approval.

Resolved, That the Board of Parks hereby declares that they have ascertained and determined that the point at which said bridge is to be constructed on the southerly side of the Harlem river is the most practicable for the proper construction of said bridge, pursuant to chapter 207 of the Laws of 1890.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Mr. William A. Pitt appeared and asked whether the Board would consider the delivery of settees, under contract with Rowland A. Robbins, at the park yards as a proper delivery, and was informed that the contractor would be required to deliver the settees at such locations as may be designated by the Superintendent of Parks.

Commissioner Dana reported verbally in the matter of proposed sheds at McGown's Pass Tavern, and recommended the construction of a shed similar in dimensions and character to that now standing, along the northerly side of the old greenhouse east of the tavern, and a strong railing to run near the edge of the stone embankment fronting the east between the greenhouse and the present shed.

On motion, the report and recommendation of Commissioner Dana were approved and the Engineer of Construction was directed to prepare plans and specifications for doing the work.

From L. F. Haffen, Engineer in charge of the New Parks, recommending that the apples and pears on the former Watson estate in Pelham Bay Park and Lorillard estate in Bronx Park be disposed of.

On motion, the fruit was ordered disposed of at public auction.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending an exchange of certain aquatic plants with E. D. Sturtevant of Bordentown, N. J.

On motion, the Superintendent's recommendation was approved.

Commissioner Tappan presented a report on the condition of the Pelham Bay and City Island Bridges, together with reports from Engineers Kellogg and Haffen in relation thereto.

On motion, said reports were approved and copies thereof were ordered transmitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

From the Engineer of Construction, reporting upon a communication from the Trustees of the Metropolitan Museum of Art respecting manholes required to be built in connection with the Croton mains provided for in the contract for fire extinguishing service, etc., with an estimate of the cost.

On motion, the Engineer's report and recommendations were approved and ordered communicated to the Trustees of the Museum.

From the Secretary of the Civil Service Boards, submitting the following eligible list for the position of Doorman :

Patrick Byrne.	Andrew Bane.	Daniel Heaney.
John J. Dawson.	Michael Delury.	Henry J. Walters.
Bartholomew Welsh.	Baer Praeger.	M. J. Hackett.
Peter Connolly.	John A. Thompson.	C. J. Plunkett.
Patrick Nilan.	Edward J. Reynolds.	Henry Buckley.
James A. Dowling.	John Osborne.	
Filed.		

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the position of Police Tailor of the Park Police force be abolished from this date, and that the position and grade of Doorman be established, to take effect on 16th instant, with pay at the rate of two dollars per day.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the following named be and they hereby are employed as Doormen on probation for thirty days :

John J. Dawson.	John A. Thompson.	Andrew Bane.
Bartholomew Welsh.	Daniel Heaney.	Michael Delury.
Peter Connolly.	M. J. Hackett.	Henry Buckley.
Baer Praeger.		

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The Board then proceeded to consider the evidence taken in the trials of Park Policeman George Walker, charged with intoxication and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined seven days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Albert W. McKean, charged with neglect of duty, was found guilty and cautioned.

Edward F. Johnston, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined five days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

John E. Hocter, charged with not properly patrolling, was found guilty and cautioned.

John E. Hocter, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and reprimanded.

John E. Hocter, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found not guilty and acquitted.

John Maguire, charged with not properly patrolling, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

John M. Maher, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty and cautioned.

Alexander McMurray, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and reprimanded.

Joseph O'Brien, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Thomas F. Patterson, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' day by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Landscape Architect and the Superintendent of Parks, submitting a design for a wall around Mount Morris Park, and reporting in relation thereto.

Commissioner Dana offered the following :

Resolved, That the plan this day submitted for an enclosing wall around Mount Morris Park be and the same is hereby approved and ordered transmitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for approval with the request that the Comptroller be authorized and directed to issue bonds to the amount of eighteen thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, as provided by chapter 575 of the Laws of 1887, to be used for the purpose of constructing the wall as designated on the westerly side of said park, and so much of the balance of the wall around the park as may be built for the remainder of the sum named.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Tappen moved that a license be granted to William Ward to occupy and sell refreshments in the building known as the "Mahoney House," in Pelham Bay Park, upon his agreeing to pay as license fee a sum equal to fifteen per cent. of his gross receipts with a guarantee that the amount to be paid shall not be less than two hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Mr. Frank Loomis, representing the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, appeared and presented a petition signed by Samuel D. Babcock and others, requesting this Board to adopt regulations for the use of the draws of the Third and Madison Avenue Bridges, crossing the Harlem river, requiring such draws to be closed between certain hours in the morning and afternoon.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That in view of the interruption to passengers and mails crossing the Harlem river during the season of the year from June 1 to September 1, it is highly important that the draws of the Third and Madison Avenues Bridges crossing the Harlem river should be kept closed at stated hours, and for that purpose this Board does hereby fix the hours from 7 A. M. to 10 A. M. and from 4 P. M. to 7 P. M. for the closing of the said draws during week days.

Debate was had thereon, whereupon Commissioner Tappen moved that further consideration of the matter be laid over until the 22d instant.

Which was carried by the following vote ;

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The President 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 :

Connor, George A., music.....	Music.....	\$220 00
Hopper, John J., Estimate No. 3.....	Morningside Park—Construction, Completion of Bays, etc.....	19,352 80
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		\$19,572 80

RECAPITULATION.

Music.....	\$220 00
Morningside Park, Construction of, Completing Bays.....	19,352 80
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	\$19,572 80

Amounting to the sum of nineteen thousand five hundred and seventy-two dollars and eighty cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, July 15, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band	Music		\$170 00
Conterno, Luciano	Music		340 00
Cappa, C. A.	Music		460 00
Colwell Lead Co., burners	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		2 31
Doty, Thomas H., & Co., feed, etc.	Police—Supplies and Repairs		36 26
Ferris, Edwin, & Co., salt	Zoological Department		10 00
Hodgman Rubber Co., rubber	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		38 15
Holland, Edward, & Co., transverse roads	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		100 00
Johnson Foundry and Machine Co., stop- cock	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		115 00
Lanier, Charles, Treasurer, salaries, etc.	Maintenance—Museums		2,513 09
Mott, J. L., Iron Works, The, basin covers	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		59 50
McCloskey, Charles, fence, etc.	Zoological Department		126 40
McLaughlin, James, broken stone	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		50 40
New York Belting and Packing Co., hose	Police—Supplies and Repairs Harlem River Bridges— Repairs and Supplies Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	\$6 75 12 00 6 00	
			24 75
Page Woven Wire Fence Co., wire fence	Zoological Department		15 00
Rehm & Co., United States flag	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		5 50
Sury, P., alcohol, etc.	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		69 80
Willson, Adams & Co., pine	New Parks, north of Harlem river, care of		28 50
			<u>\$4,164 66</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance	\$446 66
Music	970 00
Maintenance—Museums	2,513 09
Police—Supplies and Repairs	43 01

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Zoological Department.....	\$151 40	
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	12 00	
Care and Maintenance—New Parks north of Harlem River.....	28 50	
		<u>\$4,164 66</u>

Amounting to the sum of four thousand one hundred and sixty-four dollars and sixty-six cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, July 15, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 11.45 A. M., the Board adjourned to meet on Wednesday, 22d instant, at 10 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

The President presented the following report :

The President reports as follows :

The Police Sergeant in charge of the New Parks recommends that Officer Stephens be placed in charge as caretaker of the Bolton House on Boston avenue by the edge of Bronx Park near the Bleachery. There is no officer at present living in that vicinity, and it would undoubtedly be a measure of safety. The value of the house is but little, and such privileges as these would undoubtedly make the police more contented and willing to stay in the New Parks, and more vigilant, as they thus are on duty all the time.

I recommend that in view of the necessity of keeping a strict watch on all the officers in the down-town parks, a Sergeant be detailed for that particular duty. At present the Sergeants take turns, and it is evident that the supervision exercised is not as complete as it might be. The Captain speaks of Sergeant Flock in this capacity.

I also recommend that all cabs and carriages, public and private, shall be required to carry lights in the Central Park after sundown or between such times as the Board of Aldermen shall prescribe for carriages in the streets.

Concerning the proposed transfer of the Battery Park force uptown for general misconduct, the Captain informs me as follows : that the men now stationed on the Battery Park have been there for a long time and fully understand the duties to be performed and up to this time have given general satisfaction. He further says that it would seem inadvisable to remove them and put new men in their places, except some definite and positive fault could be found with them.

The trap of which the construction was commenced some time ago at the southerly end of the lake in Central Park, near Fifty-ninth street and Fifth avenue, is nearly completed, and there will be no further offensive smells from that source.

Although a request was made of the Gas Commission on August 11, 1891, to light the East River Park, and although this Department, according to section 69 of the Consolidation Act, desig-

nated the places where the posts should be placed, yet the Gas Commission has failed to light the park, claiming that they have not sufficient material, and the same is the case with regard to lighting Central Park from Eighth avenue to Fifth avenue at Seventy-second street.

With regard to the condition of Mount Morris Park, a communication is submitted from Engineer Kellogg concerning the work upon the foundation wall on the east side.

Owing to the dry season, the Superintendent has closed the lawns to lawn-tennis players. This is necessary, in order that the turf may not be injured. Although much complaint has been made, yet there is no other remedy possible, unless the lawns can be watered. The Fire Department has turned over to this Department a quantity of condemned hose and an order has been issued for a supply of couplings. As soon as these are obtained, the hose can be used to water the lawns in all the parks at very little expense.

There will be a balance of the Mount Morris Park appropriation which can be devoted to sodding, of nearly \$2,000, but the Superintendent reports that it will not be wise to lay the sod before the fall. This will be done as speedily as possible.

On account of the danger to children in Madison Square Park, a railing has been placed around the fountain at the south end, and additional guards have been placed in the East River Park on the sea wall.

On motion, the report of the President was approved by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That every stage or omnibus, when driven or used at night in Central Park after the city gas-lamps are lighted, shall have fixed upon the inside of the front of it a sufficiently lighted lamp or candle, so that the same shall be plainly visible from the outside of such vehicle, and every coach or cab or carriage, public or private, excluding uncovered buggies, when driven or used at night in Central Park after the city gas-lamps are lighted, shall have fixed upon the outside of the driver's seat, upon or at each side of it, a sufficiently lighted lamp or candle, so that the same shall be plainly visible from the outside of every such cab, coach or carriage.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment has heretofore authorized the issue of bonds to the amount of fifteen thousand dollars, pursuant to chapter 575, Laws of 1887, for constructing a foundation wall around Mt. Morris Park ; and

Whereas, The Engineer of Construction has reported that the contract price is seven thousand and fifty-seven dollars and fifty cents, leaving a balance of six thousand two hundred and two dollars and forty-two cents, of which balance six thousand dollars will not be required for this part of the work ; therefore

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to authorize the expenditure of the sum of six thousand dollars from the amount raised for the construction of

a foundation wall around Mt. Morris Park, for the purpose of constructing the superstructure to be placed on the said foundation wall, in accordance with the plan adopted by this Board on 15th instant.

Which were adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The subject of closing the draws of the bridges over Harlem river at certain hours of the day was then taken up for consideration.

Mr. Frank Loomis appeared and was heard in favor of the proposed regulations requiring the draws to be kept closed at stated times.

Messrs. Sherman Evarts, Berkeley Mastyn, Henry L. Morris and Robert Rogers were heard in opposition thereto.

On motion, further hearing in the matter was adjourned to Wednesday, August 5, at 10 A.M.

At the hour of 11 o'clock, Mr. E. G. Marsh, representing 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 :

For Paving with Rock Asphalt on Compressed Tiles, Certain Walks in the Riverside Park, between Seventy-second and Seventy-ninth Streets.

NAMES OF BIDDERS.	PRICE, 33,000 SQ. FEET.	AMOUNT.
The Sicilian Asphalt Paving Company.....	\$0 20	\$6,600 00
The Neuchatel Asphalte Company (limited) with Limmer.....	19	6,270 00
G. Knoche.....	22½	7,425 00
Edwin H. Wootten with Seyssel.....	23¾	7,837 50
“ “ Limmer and Vorwohle.....	18¾	6,187 50
“ “ Leune Vorwohle.....	17¾	5,857 50
Thomas McCann, with compressed tiles.....	16	5,280 00

For the work of constructing an entrance to Central Park at West One Hundred and Sixth street, with connecting driveway, no proposals were received.

The following communications were received :

From the Secretary of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, transmitting an estimate for constructing two manholes on the water main laid in connection with the fire extinguishing service at the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, an order was authorized to be issued to Joseph Moore for constructing the two manholes at an expense not to exceed \$170, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From George P. Morgan, auctioneer, submitting a statement and return of auction sales of sheep and wool at the sheepfold, and an old elevator, engine, etc., at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Filed.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Reporting an estimate of the cost of completing the foundation-walls around Mount Morris Park. Filed.

2d. Submitting a plan and specifications for the alteration of the roads, walks and other improvements required in connection with the erection of the Memorial Arch in Washington Square.

Commissioner Gallup moved that the plan and specifications submitted by the Engineer be approved ; that the specifications be printed, and when 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.

Which was carried by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Reporting in relation to laying sod on the parks. Filed.

2d. Recommending that pay for overtime amounting to \$442.81 be allowed to drivers and double-teams engaged in watering the roadways of Fifth avenue, West Seventy-second street and Riverside Drive, between June 9 and July 20, 1891.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, pay for overtime was allowed as recommended by the Superintendent, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Landscape Architect and the Superintendent of Parks, submitting a modified design for a wall around Mount Morris Park.

On motion, the design submitted was approved by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The President 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 :

Abeel Brothers, iron, etc	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance	\$19 74
Arnold, David P., meat	Zoological Department	273 00

Bucki, Charles L. & Co., oak	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		\$71 40
Barron, James S. & Co., soap, etc.	Police—Supplies and Repairs. Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	\$5 32	51 28
			<hr/> 56 60
Breen, M., painting fence, etc.	Zoological Department		130 30
Baynes Sixty-ninth Regiment Band, music.	Music		170 00
Cappa, C. A., music	Music		230 00
Conterno, Luciano, music	Music		170 00
Connor, Geo. A., music	Music		110 00
Coffin, Paul C., nails	New Parks north of Harlem River, Care of		4 75
Colwell Lead Co., lead pipe	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		34 09
Canda & Kane, brick, etc.	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		35 50
Decker, T. W. & Sons, milk	Zoological Department		12 60
Deane Steam Pump Co., The, packing	Harlem River Bridges.—Re- pairs and Supplies		70
Ellis, C. C. & Son, bread	Zoological Department		81 00
Ferris, Edwin & Co., salt	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		2 00
Huffman, Theo. P. & Co., feed	Police—Supplies and Repairs. Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	\$9 00	3 00
			<hr/> 12 00
Harmer, Hays & Co., whips, etc.	New Parks north of Harlem River, Care of Police—Supplies and Repairs.	\$2 00 5 38	7 38
Jacob, August, repairs to roof studio, 1890.	Labor, Maint., etc.—Supplies 1890		38 00
Malone, P., horseshoeing	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		15 00
Mullin, P., horseshoeing	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		10 00
McCloskey, Charles, repairs at Zoological Department	Zoological Department		75 00
Royal Horse Assoc., Limited, horses	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		900 00
Squier, George L., Manufacturing Co., The, rakes	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		5 60
Schuyler, Geo. L. & Co., boards	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		210 00

Scott, J. & W., ice.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	\$19 39
Sellew, T. G., stools.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....	8 25
Tyndale, B. S., fish.....	Zoological Department.....	14 00
Willson, Adams & Co., pine.....	New Parks north of Harlem River, Care of.....	24 54
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		\$2,740 84

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$1,358 25
Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, etc., 1890.....	38 00
Zoological Department.....	585 90
Music.....	680 00
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	46 70
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	70
Care and Maintenance—New Parks north of Harlem River.....	31 29
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	\$2,740 84

Amounting to the sum of two thousand seven hundred and forty dollars and eighty-four cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, July 22, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 & Fleming, Estimate No. 2.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$2,732 82
	Riverside Park—Maintenance of.....	837 19
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		\$3,570 01
Leiboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band.....	Music.....	170 00
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		\$3,740 01

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$2,732 82	
Riverside Park and Avenue—Improvement and Maintenance of.....	837 19	
Music.....	170 00	
		\$3,740 01

Amounting to the sum of three thousand seven hundred and forty dollars and one cent.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, July 22, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen.

On motion, at 11.30 A. M., the Board adjourned to meet August 5, at 10 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of previous meetings was dispensed with.

The subject of the proposed regulations for closing the draws of the Harlem River Bridges during certain hours of the day was taken up for consideration.

James R. Angel, Esq., presented petitions favoring the proposed regulations signed by nine thousand residents of the annexed district and others, and was heard in relation thereto.

Frank Loomis, Esq., representing the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, and J. De Hart, Secretary of the Property Owners' Association of One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street, were also heard in favor.

Communications favoring the closing of the bridges during certain hours were received from William Cauldwell and S. Van Winkle & Company.

Petitions and communications opposing the closing of the draws were received as follows :

From Wilson, Adams & Company and others.

From Harlem River Towboat Line.

From Freight Handlers' Association No. 2.

From workingmen employed along the Harlem river.

From Workingmen's Industrial League.

From New York State Workingmen's Alliance.

Messrs. C. L. Adams, Abner Bartlett, Elihu Root, William C. Whitney, Sherman Evarts, Thomas T. Masterson, George Colwell, Albert Henschel and Robert Rogers were heard in opposition.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That the draws of Third avenue and of Madison avenue bridges be opened as usual for river traffic, except during the hours of 6.30 to 9.30 in the morning, and 5 to 7 in the afternoon, and that between such hours (standard city time) the draws be closed.

This resolution to take effect on the morning of August 8, and to continue during the month of August.

This regulation shall not apply to the regular transportation boats of the New York and Northern Railway, which shall have the right of passage through the draws as heretofore upon exhibiting the proper signal.

Which was laid over.

On motion, further consideration of the subject was postponed to Wednesday, 12th instant, at 10 A. M.

At the hour of eleven o'clock Mr. E. G. Marsh, representing 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 advertisements duly published in the CITY RECORD for regulating and grading for an entrance at One Hundred and Sixth street and Central Park, West, and for a driveway connecting the same with the West Drive in the Central Park.

Table of Bids.

BIDDERS.	1,700 CUBIC YARDS OF EARTH EXCAVATION.	6,860 CUBIC YARDS OF ROCK EXCAVATION.	AMOUNT.
James Slattery	\$0 55	\$1 45	\$10,882 00
John J. Hopper... ..	35	1 75	12,600 00
Patrick McInerney.....	45	1 10	8,311 00
Joseph Moore	20	1 40	9,944 00

The President, 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 :

Abeel Brothers, horseshoes, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$29 34
Anchor Post Co., The, wire fence.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	34 20
Bayne's 69th Regiment Band, music.....	Music.....	170 00
Cappa, C. A., music.....	Music.....	460 00
Connor, George A., music.....	Music.....	110 00
Conterno, Luciano, music.....	Music.....	170 00
Coffin, Paul C., earth closets, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	107 00
Colwell Lead Co., globe valves, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	5 75

Dunham, Thomas C., white lead, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.		\$23 82
Giffen & Loomis, Drs, professional services, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.	\$81 67	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	70 33	
		<hr/>	152 00
Hell Gate Oil Works, oil.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.		29 75
Keuffel & Esser Co., carmine, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.		6 92
Leiboldt's 12th Regiment Band, music.	Music.		170 00
Moffat, David & Co., leather.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.		31 24
McCloskey, Charles, wire fence.	Zoological Department.		75 00
McKesson & Robbins, salts, sulphur, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.	\$4 35	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	1 17	
		<hr/>	5 52
McMurray, J. P., daily papers.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.		22 42
New, T., Manufacturing Co., felt.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.		19 00
Perry, W. B., & Son, apples, etc.	Zoological Department		345 75
Robbins, Rowland A., files, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.		61 11
Robitzek, G., & Bros., coal.	Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.		285 00
Sloane, W. & J., carpet.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.		11 50
Thorn, T. & W., & Co., oats.	Police Supplies and Repairs.		16 80
Wyckoff, Seamans & Benedict, copying ribbons	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		7 58
Ward, Thomas, coal.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		118 75
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			\$2,468 45
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.	\$594 40
Police—Supplies and Repairs.	88 30
Zoological Department	420 75

Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	\$285 00	
Music.....	1,080 00	
		<u>\$2,468 45</u>

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

A. GALLUP,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, August 5, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Abeel Brothers, iron and steel.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	\$17 23
Bucki, Charles L. & Co., oak.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	92 10
Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank.....	Rents and Repairs.....	1,625 00
Eben, Felix I., Music.....	Music.....	680 00
Fiske, J. W., wire netting.....	Zoological Department.....	85 39
Harmer, Hays & Co., fly-net.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	3 25
McKesson & Robbins, oil of tar.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	1 25
McCloskey, Charles, rabbit hutches, etc.....	Zoological Department.....	88 75
Moffat, David & Co., leather.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	47 35
N. Y. Belting & Packing Co., hose.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	7 13
Perry, H. B. & Son, apples, etc.....	Zoological Department.....	120 00
Robbins, Rowland A., brooms, wheels, etc.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General	
	Maintenance.....	867 20
		<u>\$3,634 65</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$1,035 51
Rents and Repairs.....	1,625 00
Music.....	680 00
Zoological Department.....	294 14
	<u>\$3,634 65</u>

Amounting to the sum of three thousand six hundred and thirty-four dollars and sixty-five cents.

A. GALLUP,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, August 5, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band.....	Music	\$170 00
Cappa, C. A., music.....	Music.....	460 00
Dahlman, I. H., horses.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	500 00
Mason, F. H. D., petty disbursements.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	\$142 47
	Zoological Department.....	28 37
	Police—Supplies.....	4 60
	Care of New Parks North of Harlem River.....	14 18
		<hr/> 189 62
Wales, Salem H., Treas., salaries and wages, Met. Museum Art	Maintenance—Museums	2,934 46
N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	43 25
		<hr/> \$4,297 33

RECAPITULATION.

Music.....	\$630 00
Labor Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	185 72
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	504 60
Zoological Department.....	28 37
Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem river	14 18
Maintenance—Museums.....	2,934 46
	<hr/> \$4,297 33

Amounting to the sum of four thousand two hundred and ninety-seven dollars and thirty-three cents.

A. GALLUP,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, August 5, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Pierce, John, Estimate No. 2.....	Metropolitan Museum of Art—	
	Completion of North Extension.....	\$21,864 82
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RECAPITULATION.

Metropolitan Museum of Art—Completion of North Extension.....	\$21,864 82
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Amounting to the sum of twenty-one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four dollars and eighty-two cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, August 5, 1891.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, on motion, the same was approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 12.45 P. M., the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, 12th instant, at 10 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

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

Messrs. L. S. Andrews, Charles A. Peabody, Jr., C. L. Adams, Sherman Evarts and Albert E. Henschel were heard in opposition to the closing of the draws of the Third and Madison Avenue Bridges during certain hours of the day.

Mr. Frank Loomis was heard in favor.

Communications from Samuel T. Hubbard and C. M. Bowles, resolutions from the One Hundred and Sixty-seventh Street Property Owners' Association and the Union Labor Party, in favor of closing the drawbridges, and a printed brief submitted by Sherman Evarts in opposition thereto, were received and placed on file.

Commissioner Tappen submitted the following as a substitute for the resolution offered by him on 5th instant :

An application on behalf of a large number of citizens having been presented to the Department of Public Parks in the City of New York asking that some reasonable regulations shall be established in reference to the opening and closing of the draws of the Third Avenue Bridge and the Madison Avenue Bridge, over the Harlem river ;

And it appearing that the convenience and accommodation of the very large volume of passenger travel and freight traffic, including the passage of the Third Avenue Bridge by vehicles and foot travel, calls for some suitable regulation in the matter, provided, however, that such regulation shall not disturb the legitimate business traffic by water passing through the draws ;

It is ordered that the draws of said bridges shall be opened as usual for river traffic, except between the hours of 6½ to 9½ o'clock in the morning and 5 to 7 o'clock in the afternoon, standard city time, and that during those hours the draws be closed.

This regulation shall not apply to the regular transportation boats of the New York and Northern Railway, which shall have the right of passage through the draws as heretofore upon showing the proper signal.

And it appearing that by certain legislation in reference to the Harlem river and the navigation thereof, especially an act of Congress known as River and Harbor Act, chapter 907 of the Laws of 1889-1890, Congress appropriated \$250,000 to continue the improvement of the Harlem river, and directed that all low bridges should be replaced with high bridges within a reasonable time ; and further enacted that the " Secretary of War shall prescribe the times and regulations for the opening and operating of the draws on said bridges " ;

It is further ordered that this regulation go into effect when approved by the Secretary of War, and be subject to such further directions as may be given by that officer.

Commissioner Dana moved to amend by striking out all after the words " 6½ and 9½ o'clock in the morning." Laid over.

On motion, at 11.40 A. M., the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Commissioner Straus, further consideration of the matter of closing the draws of the Harlem river bridges was postponed for one week.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the new park at Rutgers Slip shall hereafter be known as Rutgers Park, and that the Superintendent of Parks and Landscape Architect be directed to prepare plans for laying out Rutgers Park and for a suitable railing, and present the same to this Board as speedily as possible.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Tappen recommended that the west bank of Crotona Park, bordering on Third avenue, between One Hundred and Seventy-fifth and One Hundred Seventy-seventh streets, be sloped and graded back, and that the work be done at once, for the purpose of protecting the sidewalk to be laid at that point.

On motion, the recommendation was approved.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the bills of John J. Walsh & Company, amounting to sixty-five dollars and thirty-six cents, and George Fox & Son, amounting to two hundred and thirty-seven dollars and fifteen cents, for work done at McGown's Pass Tavern, be and the same hereby are audited, approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the contract for constructing an entrance to Central Park at West One Hundred and Sixth street be and the same is hereby awarded to Patrick McInerney, the lowest bidder ; that

his proposal be sent to the Comptroller for approval of the sureties thereon, and, when so approved, that the President be authorized to sign the contract for and on behalf of the Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The President submitted the following report :

The President reports as follows :

Upon consultation with the Captain of Police and upon his recommendation, I instructed him to defer the enforcement of the ordinance concerning lights upon carriages in Central Park until the 18th of August, when it is expected the Board of Aldermen will act upon their resolution upon the subject. The difficulty in the way of enforcing the resolution arises from the fact that many people will not have heard of it. It will be much easier to enforce it as soon as the lights on carriages in the public streets are required.

I recommend that all of the ice-houses and buildings in the Bronx Park which stand along the banks of the Bronx and are not dwellings, excepting the buildings used in the bleachery, which will be vacated this fall, be sold at public auction without delay. Although the Board has been advised by the Corporation Counsel that it has the right to sell ice, yet the proceeds last year were only \$200, and it does not seem worth while that the Park should be defaced by these buildings in view of the small return.

A communication from the Harlem Bridge Commission is herewith submitted, in which they offer to turn over the control of the Washington Bridge to this Department on August 15. The Comptroller informed me a few days ago that there was a balance to the credit of the Commission, available for the pay of laborers to take care of the bridge for the rest of this year, of \$786, being the balance existing on August 1, and that he would aid this Department in obtaining a transfer thereof for the purpose of maintaining the bridge.

A communication from the Superintendent, of August 7, complaining of the lack of proper telephone service, was received, and a letter was written to the Board of Electrical Control asking that they permit the telephone company to re-establish its service in the Park.

In accordance with the recommendations previously made, Sergeant Flock has been placed in permanent charge of the down-town parks, and during the absence of the Captain, Sergeant England has been assigned to duty as Acting Captain.

According to a letter from the Director of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, it appears that the number of persons who visited the Museum on Sunday afternoons, taken from the turnstiles, is as follows :

Sunday, May 31, 1891	14,263
“ June 7, “	6,734
“ “ 14, “	8,947
“ “ 21, “	4,475
“ “ 28, “	9,200
“ July 5, “	9,514
“ “ 12, “	7,996

Sunday, July 19, 1891.....	7,268
“ “ 26, “	7,484
“ Aug. 2, “	5,137
Total.....	<u>81,018</u>

The map of Rutgers Park has been signed by the Board of Street Openings, and this Department is now in possession, and plans for laying out this park should be prepared.

On motion, the matters of ice-houses at Bronx Park and the Washington Bridge were laid over, and the remainder of the President's report was approved.

Commissioner Dana then retired.

The following communications were received :

From the Comptroller, requesting that Departmental Estimates for the year 1892 be sent to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on or before September 10, 1891. Filed.

From the Secretary of the Aqueduct Commission, respecting the use of material from the shafts on the line of the New Aqueduct, in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards. Referred to Engineer Haffen for report.

From the Secretary of Harlem River Bridge Commission, notifying the Department of the intention of said Commission to turn the Washington Bridge over to the Department of Public Parks on the 15th instant. Referred to the Secretary for report.

From Max G. Hopf, relative to the need for extra guard rails on the East River Park sea-wall. Filed.

From S. J. Corker, commending Roundsman McKenna for rescuing a child from the Central Park lake. Filed.

From Joseph Lutz, applying for the privilege of selling refreshments in Pelham Bay Park. Referred to Commissioner Tappen.

From L. F. Haffen, Engineer, submitting a statement of the auction sale of fruit in Pelham Bay and Bronx Parks on 23d ultimo. Filed.

From the Trustees of the American Museum of Natural History, enclosing estimates and recommending the issue of orders, as follows :

Arnold, Constable & Co., for two Persian rugs, at a cost of \$185.

F. Hayek & Co., for one director's table, \$195, and seventeen chairs at \$269.

Marvin Safe Company, for one safe, size No. 220, at \$315.

On motion, orders were authorized to be issued as recommended by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From Carlo Barsotti, respecting a monument to Christopher Columbus to be presented to the City for erection on the parks. Referred to the Committee composed of the Presidents of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the National Academy of Design, and New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, for report.

From Mrs. Clendenen Graydon, enclosing design for a drinking-fountain to be placed in Battery Park, with drawings for basin, etc. Referred to Commissioner Dana.

From the Moderation Society, respecting the erection of a granite drinking-fountain on Tompkins Square. Referred to Commissioner Dana.

From Captain L. C. Quinn, asking permission for Company I, Sixty-ninth Regiment, N. G., S. N. Y., to drill and bivouac on Van Cortlandt Park. Referred to the President with power.

From the Engineer of Construction, reporting upon an application of John J. Hopper for an extension of time on his contract for erecting granite steps, platforms, etc., at entrances to Morning-side Park.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, an extension of time to October 20, 1891, was granted the contractor by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From the Superintendent of Parks and the Landscape Architect, reporting relative to a site for the Grant Monument office building. Referred back, with directions to confer with the Chairman of the Building Committee of the Grant Monument Association, relative to a modified design.

From the Captain and the Surgeon of Police, reporting the death of Park Policeman James E. Neagle on the 28th ultimo. Filed.

From John M. Bagley, Park Policeman, applying for the pay of policemen of the first grade. Filed.

From Gerald L. Schuyler, applying for permission to erect bay windows on a building at the corner of West End avenue and Eighty-third street.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department be and the same hereby is given to the erection of bay windows on a building to be erected by Gerald L. Schuyler at the northwest corner of Eighty-third street and West End avenue, the projections not to extend more than one foot beyond the building line as shown on a plan submitted.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

The President 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 :

Baynes' Sixty-ninth Regiment Band	Music		\$170 00
Burns, D., curassou	Zoological Department		15 00
Bucki, Charles L., & Co., spruce	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		110 32
Cappa, C. A.	Music		460 00
Conterno, Luciano	Music		170 00
Connor, George A.	Music		110 00
Coffin, Paul C., barrow plates	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		60
Doty, Thomas H. & Co., feed	Police—Supplies and Re- pairs		58 05
Ellis, C. C., & Son, bread	Zoological Department		83 70
Fiske, J. W., iron railing	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		180 00
Harper, Smith, special tools	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		45 00
Howard & Morse, wire netting	Zoological Department		10 69
Huffman, Theo. P., Estimate No. 2	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance	\$2,336 22	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	685 82	
	Zoological Department	359 53	
			<hr/> 3,381 57
Ingersoll, Horace, buckwheat, etc.	Zoological Department		5 50
Leiboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band	Music		335 00
McCloskey, Charles, repairs to pheasant house	Zoological Department		40 00
McCloskey, Charles, repairs to mammal house	Zoological Department		80 00
Milliken, James H., sawdust	Zoological Department		15 00
Mott, J. L., Iron Works (The), grate bars, etc	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		58 35
Perry, W. B., & Son, apples, etc.	Zoological Department		336 88
Shawe, Truman A., white lead, etc.	Care of New Parks North of Harlem river		12 41
Scovill Manufacturing Co., buttons	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		321 75
Smith, Clifford E., leather	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance		5 22
Thorn, T. W., & Co, hay, etc.	Police—Supplies and Repairs. .		48 00

Trimble, Charles B., repairs to block house. Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$205 00
Tyndale, B. S., fish..... Zoological Department.....	15 50
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	\$6,273 54
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance--General Maintenance.....	\$2,940 71
Music.....	1,245 00
Zoological Department.....	961 80
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	1,113 62
Care and Maintenance of New Parks North of Harlem River.....	12 41
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	\$6,273 54
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Amounting to the sum of six thousand two hundred and seventy-three dollars and fifty-four cents,

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, August 12, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—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 :

Hopper, John J., Estimate No. 1..... Morningside Park—Construction and Completion of Bays, etc.....	\$5,118 40
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RECAPITULATION.

Morningside Park—Construction and Completion of Bays, etc.....	\$5,118 40
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Amounting to the sum of five thousand one hundred and eighteen dollars and forty cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, August 12, 1891.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, on motion, the same was approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—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 :

Cady, J. C., & Co., professional services	Am. Mus. Nat. History, En- largement of.	\$255 00
Smith, B. & W. B., Estimate No. 1.	Am. Mus. Nat, History, En- largement of.	10,200 00
		<u>\$10,455 00</u>

RECAPITULATION.

American Museum of Natural History, Enlargement of.	<u>\$10,455 00</u>
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Amounting to the sum of ten thousand four hundred and fifty-five dollars.

A. GALLUP, }
N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, August 12, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 1.10 P. M., the executive session arose, and the Board adjourned to mee Wednesday, 19th instant, at 10 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

The minutes of the meetings of July 1, 8, 15 and 22 and August 5 and 12, were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting a copy of a resolution adopted on 13th inst., approving the plans for the proposed new bridge over Harlem river at Seventh avenue. Filed.

From the Board of Street Opening and Improvement, requesting a report upon a communication from S. Stevens in relation to laying out a public park at Gouverneur Slip. Referred to the Superintendent of Parks for report.

From the President of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, requesting authority for the trustees to erect a temporary structure adjacent to the Museum for receiving, repairing and setting up a collection of sculptural casts. Referred to the Superintendent of Parks for report.

From L. F. Haffen, Engineer in charge of New Parks in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, relative to the disposal of fruit at Van Cortlandt Park.

On motion, the fruit referred to was ordered sold at auction.

From Sergeant John W. England, Acting Captain of Police, applying for five days' leave of absence with pay, in addition to his regular vacation. Granted.

The Board then proceeded to consider evidence taken in the trial of Park Policemen.

James E. Bagley, charged with violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, was acquitted.

James Bennett, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Charles E. Bertram, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was acquitted.

William J. Capper, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

James J. Cain, charged with being off post, was excused.

James D. Cotter, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was acquitted.

Patrick Dooley, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

John J. Dwyer, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

James A. Doyle, charged with being off post, was censured.

Wilson C. Fox, charged with being absent from roll-call, was acquitted.

Wilson C. Fox, charged with sleeping on post, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Richard Fitzgerald, charged with violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

James Gorman, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined ten days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Hubert L. Howard, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

John J. Mitchell, charged with violation of rules and being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Andrew J. McNulty, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was excused.

Alfred C. Newell, charged with not properly patrolling, was acquitted.

Thomas H. Nicholson, charged with not properly patrolling and with sitting down on post, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

James O'Connor, charged with being off post, was acquitted.

John F. Purcell, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Aaron Rose, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Frank A. Smith, charged with gross violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Michael Tompkins, charged with violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Thomas C. Williams, charged with being off post, violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Engineer of Construction, stating that the additional sum of \$1,200 would be necessary for the supervision and inspection of the work of erecting bays and entrances to Morningside Park.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to authorize and direct the Comptroller to issue bonds or stock to the amount of twelve hundred dollars in addition to the amount heretofore provided under chapter 444 of the Laws of 1889, for the erection of bays and stairways on the westerly side of Morningside Park in accordance with plans heretofore submitted to and approved by said Board.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From L. F. Haffen, Engineer in charge of New Parks, reporting in relation to grading the bank of earth and rock on the westerly side of Crotona Park, between One Hundred and Seventy-

sixth and One Hundred and Seventy-seventh streets, and submitting an estimate of Edward N. Lynch for doing the work for the sum of \$500.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, an order was authorized to be issued for doing the work at an expense not exceeding \$500, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From James T. Hyde, requesting that mounted park officers be permitted to compete for prizes at the exhibition of the National Horse Show Association. Granted.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending the acceptance of an offer of Mr. Durland to deliver a quantity of tan bark free of charge on Central Park.

On motion, the Superintendent was authorized to accept the offer of Mr. Durland.

The President, 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 :

Babcock, Chas. H., Estimate No. 1.....	Resurfacing roadway 5th av., from 90th to 110th sts.....	\$3,973 37
Baynes' 69th Regiment Band.....	Music.....	170 00
Cappa, C. A.....	Music.....	460 00
Connor, Geo. A.....	Music.....	110 00
Conterno, Luciano.....	Music.....	170 00
Consolidated Gas Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance.....	\$76 88
	Zoological Department.....	13 00
	Harlem River Bridges—Re- pairs and Supplies.....	12 37
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	18 50
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Lanier, Chas., Treasurer, Am. Museum		120 75
Natural History, salaries, etc., July.....	Maintenance—Museums.....	2,577 09
Moore, Joseph, manholes, etc.....	Met. Museum Art—Comple- tion of.....	170 00
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		<u>\$7,751 21</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$76 88
Zoological Department.....	13 00
Music.....	910 00
Resurfacing roadway, Fifth avenue, Ninetieth to One Hundred and Tenth streets.....	3,973 37
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	12 37

Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	\$18 50
Maintenance—Museums.....	2,577 09
Metropolitan Museum of Art—Completion of.....	170 00
	\$7,751 21

Amounting to the sum of seven thousand seven hundred and fifty-one dollars and twenty-one cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN. } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, August 19, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 11.15 A. M., the Board went into executive session.

The resolution offered by Commissioner Tappen on the 12th instant, in relation to closing the draws of the Harlem river bridges, was called up for consideration, and, on motion of Commissioner Straus, the matter was laid over until the 26th instant.

On motion of Commissioner Straus, all the bids received on 22d ultimo for paving walks on Riverside Park were rejected, and the Secretary was directed to re-advertise the work.

On motion of Commissioner Straus, the amount to be paid to the Department by Gabriel Case under his license for conducting the sale of refreshments at McGown's Pass Tavern, in Central Park, was fixed at 5 per cent. of his gross receipts by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 11.45 A. M., the executive session arose, and the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, 26th instant, at 10 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

Cornelius O'Reilly, representing the Grant Monument Association, submitted an amended design for a temporary structure at Riverside Park, and was heard in relation thereto.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, it was ordered that the proposed structure should not cover more than twelve hundred square feet.

The minutes of the meeting of the 19th instant were read and approved.

The President presented a report of the transactions of the Department for the quarter ending March 31, 1891, which was ordered transmitted to his Honor the Mayor, and also printed as a document of the Board.

(See Document No. 121.)

The following communications were received :

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a copy of a resolution requesting the revocation of the permit under which the elevated railway occupies a portion of Battery Park. Filed.

From the Chief of Engineers United States Army, forwarding for the acceptance of this Department, an instrument containing the conditions under which the approval of the Secretary of War would be given to the plan and location of the bridge to be built across Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the conditions were accepted, and the President was authorized to sign said instrument and return the same to the Secretary of War, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Secretary of the Harlem River Bridge Commission, respecting the transfer of Washington Bridge to this Department. Filed.

From the National Board of Steam Navigation, transmitting a copy of preamble and resolution, requesting the Department not to close the draw-bridges over the Harlem river during certain hours, as proposed. Filed.

From the Engineer of Construction and the Superintendent of Parks, reporting upon a communication from the Superintendent of Lamps and Gas, in relation to the lighting of East River Park. Filed.

From L. F. Haffen, Engineer in Charge of New Parks, reporting upon a map forwarded for the approval of this Department, by the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-Fourth Wards, for regulating, grading, etc., Juliet street, from Mott to Walton avenue.

On motion, said map or plan was approved.

From the Director of the Menagerie :

1st. Reporting in relation to an auction sale of animals which he attended at St. Louis, Mo., on the 15th inst. Filed.

2d. Recommending the purchase of a tapir. Disapproved.

From the Superintendent of Parks and the Landscape Architect :

1st. Reporting in relation to the improvement of Rutgers Park and submitting designs therefor.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, the design submitted and numbered 308 was approved and referred to the Engineer of Construction to prepare and submit an estimate of the cost, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

2d. Reporting upon a design for the pedestal for the statue of Horace Greeley, and recommending that a site therefor be selected at the northeast corner of Battery Park.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the modifications in the design for the pedestal and base as recommended, were approved, and the matter of the selection of a site for the statue was laid over.

The Secretary presented the following estimates for enlarging and painting the sheds at McGown's Pass Tavern in the Central Park :

Wiswell & O'Brien.....	\$1,190 00
John E. Poole.....	995 00
Charles McCloskey.....	990 00
Arctander & Seabold.....	988 00

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, an order was authorized to be issued to the lowest bidder for doing the work, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From the Sergeants of the Park Police, asking permission to remove the chevrons now worn on their uniforms. Approved.

At the hour of 11 o'clock, Mr. E. G. Marsh, representing 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 advertisements duly published in the CITY RECORD for the following works :

For Repairing and Resurfacing the Macadamized Roadway of a certain portion of the " Plaza," at Fifty-ninth Street and Fifth Avenue, and " The Circle," at Fifty-ninth Street and Eighth Avenue.

BIDDER.	12,250 SQUARE YARDS OF PAVEMENT TO BE REPAIRED AND RESURFACED	AMOUNT.
William J. Clark.....	55 cents.	\$6,737 50

For the Construction of Mason and Granite Work for Seven Parks in Park Avenue, between Sixtieth and Sixty-seventh Streets.

Bidders.	Amounts.
John Donaldson.....	\$12,950 00
Stephen Ruddy.....	12,600 00
James A. Smith.....	13,990 00
Thomas J. Reilly.....	19,500 00

The President 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.

Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band.....	Music.....	\$170 00
Cappa, C. A.....	Music.....	460 00
Connor, George A.....	Music.....	110 00
Leiboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band.....	Music.....	340 00
		\$1,080 00

RECAPITULATION.

Music.....	\$1,080 00
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Amounting to the sum of one thousand and eighty dollars.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, August 26, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

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

Moran Figliuolo, payment acceptance	Metropolitan Museum of Art, Completion of North Extension, Laws of 1889	<u>\$11,466 17</u>
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RECAPITULATION.

Metropolitan Museum of Art, Completion of North Extension, Laws of 1889	<u>\$11,466 17</u>
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Amounting to the sum of eleven thousand four hundred and sixty-six dollars and seventeen cents.

A. GALLUP, N. STRAUS, A. B. TAPPEN, }	Auditing Committee.
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NEW YORK, August 26, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Robbins, Rowland A., payment acceptance, settees	<u>\$4,576 50</u>
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RECAPITULATION.

Settees	<u>\$4,576 50</u>
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Amounting to the sum of four thousand five hundred and seventy-six dollars and fifty cents.

A. GALLUP, NATHAN STRAUS, A. B. TAPPEN, }	Auditing Committee.
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NEW YORK, August 26, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 11.25 A. M., the Board went into executive session.

A communication was received from Isador Isaac, applying for a renewal of the license to conduct the sale of refreshments at the Casino in the Central Park. Filed.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the contracts for which proposals have been this day received be awarded as follows :

For repairing and resurfacing the roadway of the Plaza and the Circle to William J. Clark, at \$6,737.50.

For the construction of mason and granite work for seven Park Avenue Parks to Stephen Ruddy, at \$12,600.

—they being the lowest bidders ; that their proposals be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of sureties thereon, and when so approved that the President be authorized to sign the contracts for and on behalf of the Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 11.45 A. M., the executive session arose, and the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, September 9, at 10 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DOCUMENT NO. 121.

BOARD

OF THE

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

AUGUST 26, 1891.

The President presented a report of the transactions of the Department for the quarter ending March 31, 1891, which was ordered transmitted to his Honor the Mayor, and also printed as a document of the Board.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Report for the Quarter ending March 31, 1891.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
Nos. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET, }
April 1, 1891. }

Hon. HUGH J. GRANT, Mayor :

SIR—In compliance with the provisions of section 49 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, the Department of Public Parks hereby submits the following statement of its transactions during the three months ending March 31, 1891 :

During the period covered by this report, the Board of Parks has suffered the loss of one of its members in the death of Hon. Waldo Hutchins, whose long and valued connection with the public parks of the City is recognized by his colleagues in the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted and placed upon the records of the Department :

“Whereas, The last public service of Waldo Hutchins’ long and honorable career was as a Commissioner of Parks in New York City, and it is, therefore, peculiarly the duty of the Park Department to record a proper recognition of his public usefulness ; be it

“Resolved, That the Park Department expresses its sense of having lost, in Mr. Hutchins, an officer whose labors in behalf of the parks, beginning at the outset of their formation, have been among the most devoted and valuable in their history. Mr. Hutchins’ sympathy with the work of the parks, broad judgment and large legal equipment made him a conspicuously useful Commissioner. And the Park Department appreciates keenly the merit of this portion of his services to the public interests.

“Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Mr. Hutchins’ family and to the Mayor of New York.”

The organization of the Board remains unchanged since the date of the last report.

During the quarter the Department has entered into the following-named contracts for works of improvements, furnishing supplies, etc.:

For constructing a wrought and galvanized iron boiler and engine-house over the centre of the draw-span of the Madison Avenue Bridge, \$2,300. Lawrence Martin, contractor ; Christian Vorndran and Peter J. Zügner, sureties.

For furnishing and delivering, where required, hay, straw, oats, corn and bran, \$6,734.50. Theodore P. Huffman, contractor ; W. B. Perry and James Turner, sureties.

For furnishing 450 settees for the parks, \$4,576.50. Rowland A. Robbins, contractor ; James S. Barron and William H. Barron, sureties.

For furnishing and delivering, where required, in Central Park and on Riverside Park and avenue screened gravel of the quality known as Roa Hook gravel, \$12,530. Brown & Fleming, contractors ; Thomas Regan and Edmond Dwyer, sureties.

For building the north extension of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in the Central Park, \$362,500. John Pierce, contractor ; Henry G. Utley and Myles Tierney, sureties.

An assessment list for improving and constructing Riverside avenue, between Seventy-second and One Hundred and Thirtieth streets, together with the amount and cost of the work, have been prepared, approved and forwarded to the Board of Assessors.

The Board of Aldermen has been requested to pass an ordinance authorizing this Department to enter into a contract with the Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Company for telephone service for the year 1891, at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.

The Sinking Fund Commission has been requested to lease for the use of this Department, as the principal offices, the second floor of the Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank Building, Nos. 49 and 51 Chambers street, at an annual rental of \$6,500, for the term of five years from May 1, 1891.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment has been requested to make the following transfers of appropriations :

1. The sum of \$4,363.32 from the appropriation for "New Parks North of Harlem River—For Locating and Monumenting the Boundary Lines of the Bronx Park in Westchester County, the Bronx and Pelham Parkways and Pelham Park," for the year 1890, to the appropriation made for the current year for "Care and Maintenance of New Parks North of Harlem River, including \$10,000 for Construction of One Dock at Pelham Bay Park and for Surveying and Monumenting New Parks."

2. The sum of \$2,000 from the appropriation for "Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs" for the year 1891, to the appropriation for "Salaries" for the current year.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment has also been requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue bonds to the amount of \$8,500 for the improvement of Riverside Park, between Seventy-second and Seventy-ninth streets, which amount is required for the paving of the walks with rock asphalt in addition to the amount previously provided for the improvement of that portion of said park.

At the request of the said Board a modified plan for a bridge, with a forty-foot driveway to be constructed over the Harlem river at Seventh avenue, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 207 of the Laws of 1890, has been prepared and with a report thereon has been forwarded for the concurrence of said Board.

In anticipation of the early commencement of work on the Grant Monument, the Monument Association has been given permission to make experimental borings at the site of the proposed monument on Riverside Park.

The building at the Battery, known as Castle Garden, having been transferred to the custody of this Department, the wooden structure and buildings adjacent thereto have been disposed of at auction sale and removed.

The subject of the future use of the building, including the many suggestions which have been made concerning it, is now under consideration.

The subject of a proposed children's play-ground to be laid out on the Central Park has also been considered, and is still under consideration.

The name of the refreshment building formerly known as Mount St. Vincent in the Central Park, has been changed to "McGown's Pass Tavern." Permission to occupy this restaurant has been given to Gabriel Case upon the following terms, viz. : Ten per cent. of all sales, with a guarantee that the amount of such license fee shall be \$6,500 for the period of five years, and that in case ten per cent. on such sales do not amount to \$6,500, the difference shall be paid to this Department. The licensee also agrees to keep the restaurant building in repair during the term of his license.

A license to conduct the boat service on the Harlem Meer, in the Central Park, has been granted to William Keeler for one year, upon his agreement to pay the sum of two hundred dollars for the privilege.

A license to conduct the carriage service in the Central and Riverside Parks has been granted to Thomas J. Brown for the term of five years, from March 12, 1891, upon his agreeing to pay the sum of one thousand dollars per annum as license fee.

A license to conduct the boat service on the main lake in Central Park has been given to August Braun for five years, at an annual fee of \$2,025, and upon his agreeing to place and keep in proper repair, during the term of the license, the boat-house and other structures used in connection with the boat service.

The consent of the Department has been given to the erection of a bay-window on the building of F. B. Jennings, at the northwest corner of Park avenue and Thirty-ninth street, the projection not to extend more than 2 feet 9 inches beyond the building line.

An arrangement has been made with Alfred Skitt for running cars through Transverse Road No. 3, Central Park. This arrangement is a temporary one for public accommodation until such time as connections are made enabling the cars of the several railway companies in that vicinity to use the same.

A granite drinking-fountain, presented by the Moderation Society, has been accepted and a site therefor has been located on Tompkins Square.

The following arrangement has been made for concerts in the Parks during the coming season :
Central Park—Cappa's Seventh Regiment Band on Saturday and Sunday afternoons, commencing May 2.

Battery Park—Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band on Friday evenings, commencing May 1.

Tompkins Square—Lieboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band on Wednesday evenings, commencing May 6.

East River Park—Conterno's Ninth Regiment Band on Thursday evenings, commencing May 7.

Mount Morris Park—Eben's Seventy-first Regiment Band on Tuesday evenings, commencing May 5.

Paradise Park—Occasional concerts during June, July, August and September by Connor's Eighth Regiment Band on Monday evenings.

The United States Government having required that certain alterations be made to the bridge over Harlem river at Third avenue, the matter has been referred to the Counsel to the Corporation, with the request that a bill be prepared for presentation to the Legislature in case the City is legally required to make the changes required by the United States Government.

A draft of a proposed bill to be presented to the Legislature, providing for pensions for the Park Police, has received the approval of the Board of Parks, as well as a bill introduced in the Assembly to authorize this Department to improve the parkways north of the Harlem river.

At the suggestion of General Fitzgerald, a bill to provide for the extension of the improved portion of the parade ground in Van Cortlandt Park has been prepared and sent to Albany for introduction in the Legislature.

PARK MAINTENANCE WORK.

Owing to a decreased appropriation and the limited number of employees on the parks during the first quarter of the year very little was accomplished outside the routine maintenance.

The gardening force at the greenhouses has been engaged in the care and propagation of the summer bedding plants.

On Central Park the routine work of cleaning walks, basins, etc., has been attended to.

The frequent snow storms has increased this work over that of the same quarter of previous years.

The work of manuring the lawns, interrupted last fall, was completed, and during the quarter the manure was turned and raked off.

On January 8, 1891, the skate ponds of the park were opened, and skating continued from time to time, for eight days.

The transverse roads of the park were cleaned of snow, etc., as were the roadways of Fifth avenue and West Seventy-second street.

The cottages were kept clean and open in charge of attendants, from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

The drives, bridle-roads, streets and avenues under the care of the Department were sprinkled, from time to time, as required.

Snow was removed from walks and under bridges, and carted on the drives for the improvement of the sleighing.

On the City Parks the usual routine work of cleaning the lawns, walks and basins and removing snow and ice, was attended to.

The force at the stables were engaged in caring for and grooming the horses and in attending to the necessary repairs of the harness.

At Riverside the work was of the usual maintenance character, such as cleaning the drive and property road and repairing washouts, also in cleaning and repairing the basins.

The only work performed at Morningside Park was in connection with guarding the Department property and repairing washouts.

The force at the New Parks has been engaged in repairing the walks and attending to the work in connection with the skate pond at Van Cortlandt Park, where there was 23 days' skating.

Owing to the small force of mechanics in the employ of the Department very little mechanical work was performed, consisting of repairs to settees, signs, etc. ; necessary painting and glazing work and lettering of signs ; the repairing of basins and drains ; repairs of closets and hydrants and shoeing of horses.

The other mechanics of the Department were engaged in the operation of the bridges over the Harlem river and attending the boilers at the Workshops and Arsenal Building.

New Parks—Summary of Work

CLASS OF WORK.	VAN CORTLANDT PARK.		BRONX PARK.		PELHAM BAY PARK.	
	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.
Roads graded	*172 c. y.	*\$191 84	668 c. y.	\$278 97	550 c. y.	\$133 40
Gutters opened	4,070 lin. ft.	71 04	.....	.....	2,400 lin. ft.	28 16
Washouts and holes filled	689 c. y.	240 88	.....	.....	*11 c. y.	*19 60
Drains cleaned	801 lin. ft.	44 41	.....	.....	.....	.....
Manholes cleaned	2	3 52	.....	.....	.....	.....
Drain rebuilt	7 c. y.	5 77	.....	.....	.....	.....
Culvert built .....	.....	.....	12 c. y.	40 15	.....	.....
Sidewalks surfaced	1,600 sq. ft.	17 79	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sidewalks cleaned of snow	6,755 lin. ft.	13 75	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sand spread on walks	4,200 sq. ft.	6 26	.....	.....	.....	.....
Plank walk repaired	108 "	8 16	.....	.....	.....	.....
Plank walk extended	76 lin. ft.	6 39	.....	.....	.....	.....
Guard rail repaired	60 "	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Well cleaned and repaired and } Pump set in place	1	33 58	.....	.....	.....	.....
Closets repaired and painted	11	33 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Doors repaired (Van Cortlandt } Mansion)	3	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shed repaired	1	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ice pond cleaned	275.5 acres.	458 27	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ice pond, maintenance .....	.....	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dam, maintenance .....	.....	19 26	.....	.....	.....	.....
Trees trimmed	134	226 36	20	24 64	.....	.....
Dead trees, brush, etc., removed .....	.....	103 93	.....	28 85	.....	33 86
Telegraph poles removed	19	12 54	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bridges repaired .....	.....	.....	2	28 10	1	2 00
Fence repaired .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Foot bridge and approaches .....	.....	.....	{ Span 43.5 lin. ft. " 15.0 "	209 96	.....	.....
Cleaning Bronx river .....	.....	.....	60 loads.	85 08	.....	.....
Draw bridges, attendance .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	151 91
Care of buildings and miscel- } laneous .....	.....	163 02	.....	277 46	.....	628 76
Insurance on buildings, New } Parks. Premium for year, \$1,380, proportion charge- } able against this quarter .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Supplies and materials .....	.....	335 80	.....	153 81	.....	3 87
Total cost, maintenance, etc. ....	.....	\$2,047 57	.....	\$1,127 02	.....	\$1,001 56

* This consisted of stone filling put

Done during the Quarter.

CROTONA PARK.		CLAREMONT PARK.		ST. MARY'S PARK.		NEW PARKS, GENERAL.		TOTALS.	
Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.
.....	1,390 c. y.	\$604 21
.....	6,470 lin. ft.	99 20
.....	700 c. y.	265 48
.....	800 lin. ft.	44 41
.....	2	3 52
.....	7 c. y.	5 77
.....	12 "	40 15
.....	1,600 sq. ft.	17 79
.....	6,755 lin. ft.	13 75
.....	4,200 sq. ft.	6 26
.....	108 sq. ft.	8 16
.....	76 lin. ft.	6 39
.....	60 "	3 00
.....	1	33 58
.....	11	33 00
.....	3	6 00
.....	1	3 00
.....	275.5 acres.	458 27
.....	40 00
.....	19 26
.....	154	251 00
.....	166 64
.....	19	12 54
.....	3	30 10
200 lin. ft.	\$5 77	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 lin. ft.	5 77
.....	{ Spans, 58.5 lin. ft. }	209 96
.....	60 loads.	85 08
.....	2	151 91
.....	63 00	.....	\$66 00	.....	\$64 00	.....	.....	.....	1,262 24
.....	\$345 00	.....	345 00
.....	19 62	.....	513 10
.....	\$68 77	.....	\$66 00	.....	\$64 00	.....	\$364 62	Total cost..	\$4,739 54

in place and broken up with hammers.

ENGINEER CORPS.	VAN CORTLANDT PARK.		BRONX PARK.		PELHAM BAY PARK.	
	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.
Superintendence, etc.....	.....	\$154 07	.....	\$154 03	.....	\$154 08
Surveys.....	.....	.....	7—11,763 lin. ft.	83 33	2—31,551 lin. ft.	140 05
Maps.....	3—12.4 sq. ft.	41 60	5— 33 sq. ft.	75 47	.....	.....
Blue prints.....	8—32.1 “	8 76	9— 40.3 “	7 28	10— 59 sq. ft.	5 72
Reports.....	.....	.....	4— 37 sheets.	101 44	2—70 sheets.	165 00
Miscellaneous.....	.....	89 59	.....	237 92	.....	47 58
Total cost, engineering, etc.	.....	\$294 02	.....	\$654 52	.....	\$512 43
Grand total cost.....	.....	\$2,341 59	.....	\$1,791 54	.....	\$1,513 99

† Salary of Engineer-in-

CROTONA PARK.		CLAREMONT PARK.		ST. MARY'S PARK.		NEW PARKS, GENERAL.		TOTALS.	
Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.
.....	\$51 02	.....	\$52 03	.....	\$51 02	.....	.....	.....	1\$616 30
.....	.....	I 1,534 lin. ft.	43 34	.....	.....	.....	.....	10-44,848 lin. ft.	271 72
1-3.5 sq. ft.	8 32	I- 1.6 sq. ft.	11 51	.....	.....	.....	.....	10-50.5 sq. ft.	136 90
1-5.0 "	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	6- 74.6 sq. ft. }	\$4 16	34-211 sq. ft.	26 44
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6-107 sheets, 100 duplicate sheets.....	266 44
.....	47 58	.....	47 58	.....	47 58	.....	.....	.....	517 83
.....	\$107 44	.....	\$154 46	.....	\$98 60	.....	\$4 16	Total cost..	\$1,835 63
.....	\$176 21	.....	\$220 46	.....	\$162 60	.....	\$368 78	Grand Total	\$6,575 17

Charge, New Parks.

CENTRAL PARK MENAGERIE.

The following donations have been received :

- Jan. 6. 1 small alligator, presented by Mr. L. Loewus, New York City.
 " 10. 6 Virginia quail, presented by Mr. H. Weisman, New York City.
 " 13. 1 festive parrot, presented by Master Howard E. Ehrich, New York City.
 " 15. 2 small alligators, presented by Masters Frederick and William Watson, New York City.
 " 17. 3 Guinea pigs, presented by Mr. Clement Bagetto, New York City.
 " 18. 1 robin, presented by Mr. William O'Brien, New York City.
 " 18. 1 bald eagle, presented by Mr. F. Lehmann, New York City.
 " 23. 1 pair bantam chickens, presented by Mrs. West, New York City.
 " 23. 1 cinnamon bear, presented by Mr. L. Blum, New York City.
 " 27. 1 screech owl, presented by Mr. William C. Serrell, Bayonne, New Jersey.
 " 31. 1 cat bird, presented by Mr. Emil Decker, New York City.
 Feb. 14. 1 small alligator, presented by Miss Grace Freeman, New York City.
 Mar. 6. 1 snowy owl, presented by Mr. L. S. Foster, New York City.
 " 6. 1 Azaras fox, donor not known.
 " 7. 1 small alligator, presented by Dr. Samuel H. Orton, New York City.
 " 9. 1 sharp-shinned hawk, donor not known.
 " 9. 1 small alligator, presented by Dr. John J. Cattnach, New York City.
 " 16. 1 Virginia cardinal, presented by Mr. G. T. Wilkes, New York City.
 " 21. 1 rattlesnake, presented by Mr. L. D. Lockwood, Melbourne, Florida.
 " 24. 1 gopher turtle, presented by General Egbert L. Viele, New York City.
 " 25. 3 small alligators, presented by Master Maxwell Stevenson, New York City.
 " 25. 1 Java civet cat, presented by Mr. F. Henn, New York City.
 " 26. 1 pair Guinea pigs, presented by Mr. F. R. Kaldenberg, New York City.
 " 1. 1 alligator, presented by Mr. Charles W. Dickel, New York City.

The other additions to the Menagerie have been by

Births.

- 2 zebus. 1 Axis deer.
 70 Southdown lambs.

Purchased.

- 1 Pondicherry vulture.

Received in Exchange.

- 1 llama for 1 young nylghie. 10 pair moorhles pigeons for 1 old circus wagon.

Placed on Exhibition.

W. Bannister—

- Jan. 24. 1 Rhesus monkey.

Mr. F. M. Bostwick—

- Feb. 18. 1 squirrel monkey.

Mrs. Starr—

- Mar. 17. 1 red and yellow macaw.

The following specimens, which were left on exhibition, have been returned to their owners :

Mr. W. Bannister—

Jan. 15. 2 monkeys ; deposited December 20, 1890.

Mr. B. A. Gicquel—

Feb. 1. 1 monkey ; deposited October 8, 1890.

Mrs. A. W. Smith—

Feb. 6. 1 parakeet ; deposited October 20, 1890.

Mr. H. S. Des Brisay—

Feb. 15. 1 monkey ; deposited February 20, 1890.

The new deer paddock has been finished and the deer placed in their new quarters, and the out-door cages of the carnivora building and hippopotamus tank have received coats of paint.

PARK POLICE.

The force consists of—

Captain.....	1
Surgeon.....	1
Sergeants.....	6
Roundsmen.....	13
Patrolmen.....	265
Tailors (Doormen).....	7
Clothing Inspector.....	1
Ambulance Driver.....	5
Stablemen.....	1
Laborers.....	2
Total.....	<u>302</u>

Of this number, 4 Sergeants, 7 Roundsmen, 1 of whom is mounted, 167 Patrolmen, including 19 mounted men, the Clothing Inspector, 5 Tailors, 4 Stablemen and 1 Laborer perform duty on the Central Park ; 2 of the Tailors and 2 mounted men perform duty on Riverside Park ; 1 Laborer does duty as a Watchman on Mount Morris Park, and 1 of the Stablemen on Van Cortlandt Park.

1 Sergeant, 5 Roundsmen and 80 Patrolmen perform duty on the various small parks south of the Harlem river, and 1 Sergeant, 1 Roundsman and 18 Patrolmen perform duty on the New Parks north of the Harlem river, as follows :

South of Harlem river—

1 Sergeant and 5 Roundsmen.....	6
High Bridge Park, Patrolmen.....	1
Mount Morris Park, “.....	4
Riverside Park, “.....	20
Morningside Park, “.....	6
East River Park, “.....	3
Bryant Park, “.....	3
Madison Square Park, “.....	4
Union Square Park, “.....	3

South of Harlem river—

Stuyvesant Park, Patrolmen.....	3
Tompkins Square Park, Patrolmen.....	7
Washington Square Park, “.....	6
Jackson Square Park, “.....	1
Abingdon Square Park, “.....	1
Christopher Street Park, “.....	1
Canal Street Park, “.....	2
Duane Street Park, “.....	1
City Hall Park, “.....	6
Jeannette Park, “.....	1
Battery Park, “.....	7
Total force south of Harlem river	<u>86</u>

North of Harlem river—

1 Sergeant and 1 Roundsman.....	2
Pelham Bay Park, Patrolmen.....	3
Van Cortlandt Park, “.....	4
Bronx River Park, “.....	5
Crotona Park, “.....	2
Claremont Park, “.....	2
St. Mary's Park, “.....	2
Total force north of Harlem river	20
Total force south of Harlem river	86
Total	<u>106</u>

Arrests for January, 1891.

Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ 3 “ “.....	1
“ “ 1 month “.....	1
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	3
“ “ 5 “.....	3
“ Discharged “.....	3
Total	<u>12</u>
Drunk and Disorderly—Discharged by Justice.....	1
Intoxication—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	1
“ “ 5 days “.....	3
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	2
“ Discharged “.....	4
Total	<u>10</u>

Assault—Fined \$10 by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Indecent Assault—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Total.....	<u>2</u>
Larceny—Discharged by Justice.....	<u>2</u>
Reckless Driving—Discharged by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Violation Park Ordinances—Fined \$10 by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
“ “ 5 “.....	<u>6</u>
“ “ 3 “.....	<u>1</u>
“ Discharged “.....	<u>2</u>
“ “ at Station.....	<u>14</u>
Total.....	<u>24</u>
Males.....	<u>48</u>
Females.....	<u>5</u>
Total for January.....	<u>53</u>

Arrests for February, 1891.

Assault—Fined \$5 by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Attempted Suicide—Committed to care of Commissioners of Charities and Correction by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	<u>2</u>
“ “ 5 “.....	<u>2</u>
“ Discharged “.....	<u>4</u>
“ “ at Station.....	<u>4</u>
Total.....	<u>13</u>
Drunk and Disorderly—Fined \$5 by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
“ Discharged “.....	<u>1</u>
Total.....	<u>2</u>
Indecent Exposure—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
“ “ 1 month “.....	<u>1</u>
“ Discharged by Justice.....	<u>4</u>
Total.....	<u>6</u>

Intoxication—Committed for 10 days by Justice.....	1
“ “ 5 “	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	3
Total.....	<u>5</u>
Insanity—Committed to care of Commissioners of Charities and Correction by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Larceny—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	2
Total.....	<u>3</u>
Picking Pockets—Sentenced to State Prison for 5 years.....	1
“ “ 2 years and 8 months	1
Total.....	<u>2</u>
Suspicious Persons—Discharged at Station.....	<u>6</u>
Violation of Park Ordinances—Fined \$1 by Justice.....	2
“ Discharged by Justice	1
“ “ at Station.....	3
Total.....	<u>6</u>
Males	45
Females	1
Total arrests for February.....	<u>46</u>

Arrests for March, 1891.

Assault—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	1
“ Held in \$300 bail for trial by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice	1
Total.....	<u>3</u>
Attempted Suicide—Discharged by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Criminal Assault—Discharged by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Cruelty to Animals—Discharged by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 1 month by Justice	2
“ Fined \$10 by Justice	1
“ “ 5 “	3
“ Discharged “	5
“ “ at Station.....	1
Total.....	<u>12</u>

Drunk and Disorderly—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ 10 days “ 	2
“ Discharged by Justice.....	4
Total	<u>7</u>
Intoxication—Fined \$10 by Justice.....	4
“ “ 5 “ 	6
“ “ 2 “ 	3
“ Discharged “ 	6
Total.....	<u>19</u>
Indecent Conduct—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	<u>3</u>
Larceny—Committed for 3 months by Justice..	<u>1</u>
Picking Pockets—Committed for 1 year by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Reckless Driving—Discharged by Justice.....	1
“ “ at Station.....	2
Total.....	<u>3</u>
Suspicious Persons—Discharged at Station.....	<u>4</u>
Truancy—Committed to care of Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Violation of Park Ordinances—Held in \$300 bail for trial by Justice.....	1
“ Fined \$5 by Justice.....	5
“ “ 1 “ 	6
“ Discharged “ 	7
“ “ at Station.....	8
Total.....	<u>27</u>
Males.....	78
Females.....	6
Total for March.....	<u>84</u>
<i>Total Arrests for Quarter.</i>	
Males.....	171
Females.....	12
Total for quarter.....	<u>183</u>

Accidents.

17 accidents have occurred on the various parks during the quarter.

Collisions.

21 collisions have taken place on the drives in Central Park.

Runaways.

56 runaways have occurred on the drives and bridle paths in Central Park, 32 of which were caught by mounted policemen, 20 by policemen on foot and 4 escaped from the park.

Horses taken to Park Stables.

4 horses have been taken to Park Stables during the quarter.

Wagons taken to Park Stables.

4 wagons have been taken to Park Stables during the quarter.

Horses and Wagons taken to Park Stables.

16 horses with wagons attached have been taken to Park Stables during the quarter.

Impounded Animals.

17 head of horned cattle have been taken to the Public Pound at Fordham from the New Parks.

Officers Injured.

3 officers were injured while in the discharge of their duty during the quarter.

Suicide.

1 man committed suicide in the Central Park.

Sudden Deaths.

2 men have died suddenly in the parks during the quarter.

Dead Infant.

1 dead infant was found in St. Mary's Park.

Resignation.

1 policeman resigned from the force.

Lost Children.

17 lost children were found in the various parks and restored to their homes or taken to Police Headquarters, 8 males and 9 females.

Lost Property.

24 articles of lost property have been found by members of the force and delivered to the Property Clerk of the Department.

Skating.

21 days on which there was skating on Van Cortlandt Park Lake and 8 days in Central Park.

Sick and Injured Cared For.

27 persons were found sick and injured on the various parks and assisted to their homes or to hospital.

Recapitulation.

Force	302
Resignation	1
Arrests	183
Accidents	17
Collisions	21
Runaways	56
Horses taken to Park Stables	4
Wagons taken to Park Stables	4
Horses and wagons taken to Park Stables	16
Impounded animals	17
Officers injured	3
Suicides	1
Sudden deaths	2
Dead Infant	1
Lost children	17
Lost property (articles)	24
Skating (days)	29
Sick and injured cared for	<u>27</u>

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY.

Monthly tables have been printed for distribution to home and foreign observatories and libraries ; weekly reports have been issued to the CITY RECORD and newspapers ; weekly and hourly reports to the Health Department, and meteorological information has been supplied to the Counsel to the Corporation and to the law courts.

The following tables give an abstract of the mean, the maximum and minimum readings from the various self-recording instruments in this observatory for the first quarter of the year 1891, and also comparisons with the observations for the same quarter for the past twenty years, taken at this observatory :

BAROMETER (Reduced to Freezing).

January—	1891.	For 20 years.	
Mean for 7 A. M.	29.906	30.004	
Mean for 2 P. M.	29.884	29.961	
Mean for 9 P. M.	29.913	29.997	
Mean for month	29.903	29.989	
Maximum for month at 7 P. M., 16th	30.402	30.706	7 P. M., 16th, 1888.
Minimum for month at 4 A. M., 12th	28.804	28.698	9 A. M., 9th, 1886.
February—			
Mean for 7 A. M.	29.968	29.967	
Mean for 2 P. M.	29.926	29.921	
Mean for 9 P. M.	29.962	29.956	
Mean for month	29.952	29.948	
Maximum for month at 9 A. M., 15th	30.594	30.924	9 A. M., 5th, 1876.
Minimum for month at 3 P. M., 3d	29.222	28.900	2 P. M., 3d, 1880.

March—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.	29.998	29.891
Mean for 2 P. M.	29.956	29.848
Mean for 9 P. M.	29.968	29.880
Mean for month.	29.973	29.873
Maximum for month at 7 A. M., 2d.	30.450	30.700 10 A. M., 5th, 1887.
Minimum for month at 4 P. M., 13th.	29.298	28.922 5 P. M., 29th, 1873.
Quarter—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	29.957	29.954
Mean for 2 P. M.	29.922	29.910
Mean for 9 P. M.	29.948	29.944
Mean for quarter	29.943	29.937
Maximum for quarter at 9 A. M., Feb. 15th.	30.594	30.924 9 P. M., Feb. 5th, 1876.
Minimum for quarter at 4 A. M., Jan. 12th.	28.804	28.698 9 A. M., Jan. 9th, 1886.

SUN THERMOMETER (Fahrenheit Degrees).

January—	1891.	For 12 years.
Greatest possible hours of sunshine.	282	283
Actual number of hours of sunshine.	108	139
Number of days in which no clouds passed over the sun	3	6
February—		
Greatest possible hours of sunshine.	286	288
Actual number of hours of sunshine.	128	157
Number of days in which no clouds passed over the sun.	4	6
March—		
Greatest possible hours of sunshine.	355	356
Actual number of hours of sunshine.	171	207
Number of days in which no clouds passed over the sun.	6	5
Quarter—		
Greatest possible hours of sunshine.	308	309
Actual number of hours of sunshine.	136	168
Number of days in which no clouds passed over the sun.	4	6

THERMOMETER (Fahrenheit Degrees) IN SHADE.

January—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.	31.00	26.53
Mean for 2 P. M.	37.20	32.29
Mean for 9 P. M.	34.55	29.55
Mean for month.	33.82	29.43
Maximum for month at 12 M., 2d.	54	68 4 P. M., 2d, 1876.
Minimum for month at 1 A. M., 4th.	17	6 9 A. M., 24th, 1882.

	1891.	For 20 years.
February—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	33.43	27.46
Mean for 2 P. M.	39.28	34.18
Mean for 9 P. M.	37.00	31.22
Mean for month.	36.48	30.87
Maximum for month at 6 P. M., 17th	59	72 4 P. M., 23d, 1874.
Minimum for month at 4 A. M., 5th	14	4 6 A. M., 5th, 1886.
March—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	32.09	31.87
Mean for 2 P. M.	39.51	39.06
Mean for 9 P. M.	36.80	36.03
Mean for month.	35.78	35.96
Maximum for month at 4 P. M., 24th	58	72 4 P. M., 5th, 1880.
Minimum for month at 7 A. M., 2d	9	3 9.30 A. M., 5th, 1872.
Quarter—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	32.17	28.58
Mean for 2 P. M.	38.66	35.47
Mean for 9 P. M.	36.12	32.26
Mean for quarter	35.36	32.08
Maximum for quarter at 6 P. M., Feb. 17th ..	59	72 4 P. M., March 5th, 1880.
Minimum for quarter at 7 A. M., March 2d ..	9	6 9 A. M., Jan. 24th, 1882.

THERMOMETER, WET BULB, IN SHADE (Fahrenheit Degrees).

	1891.	For 20 years.
January -		
Mean for 7 A. M.	27.55	25.26
Mean for 2 P. M.	32.61	29.50
Mean for 9 P. M.	31.00	27.78
Mean for month	30.09	27.50
Maximum for month at 12 M., 2d	51	61 4 P. M., 2d, 1876.
Minimum for month at 1 A. M., 4th	14	6 9 A. M., 24th, 1882.
February—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	30.50	25.99
Mean for 2 P. M.	34.68	31.12
Mean for 9 P. M.	33.71	29.07
Mean for month.	32.92	28.71
Maximum for month at 6 P. M., 17th	55	61 3 P. M., 23d, 1874.
Minimum for month at 4 A. M., 5th	12	5 6 A. M., 5th, 1886.
March—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	28.74	30.00
Mean for 2 P. M.	34.26	35.64
Mean for 9 P. M.	32.74	33.23
Mean for month.	31.77	32.93
Maximum for month at 5 P. M., 24th	50	65 5 P. M., 5th, 1880.
Minimum for month at 7 A. M., 2d	6	39.3 0 A. M., 5th, 1872.

Quarter—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.	28.93	27.08
Mean for 2 P. M.	33.85	32.09
Mean for 9 P. M.	32.48	30.03
Mean for quarter	31.59	29.71
Maximum for quarter at 6 P. M., Feb. 17th..	55	65 5 P. M., March 5th, 1880.
Minimum for quarter at 7 A. M., March 2d..	6	6 9 A. M., Jan. 24th, 1882.

RELATIVE HUMIDITY (Saturation 100).

January—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.	62	85
Mean for 2 P. M.	57	72
Mean for 9 P. M.	64	81
Mean for month.....	61	80
February—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	69	84
Mean for 2 P. M.	59	71
Mean for 9 P. M.	69	79
Mean for month.....	66	78
March—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	63	80
Mean for 2 P. M.	55	65
Mean for 9 P. M.	61	75
Mean for month.....	60	73
Quarter—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	65	83
Mean for 2 P. M.	57	69
Mean for 9 P. M.	65	78
Mean for quarter.....	62	77

ELASTIC FORCE OF AQUEOUS VAPOR (Inch of Mercury).

January—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M. ....	.113	.132
Mean for 2 P. M. ....	.135	.138
Mean for 9 P. M. ....	.136	.139
Mean for month .....	.128	.136
February—		
Mean for 7 A. M. ....	.141	.133
Mean for 2 P. M. ....	.153	.144
Mean for 9 P. M. ....	.162	.144
Mean for month.....	.152	.140

March—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M. ....	.124	.152
Mean for 2 P. M. ....	.140	.163
Mean for 9 P. M. ....	.143	.163
Mean for month. ....	.136	.159

Quarter—		
Mean for 7 A. M. ....	.126	.139
Mean for 2 P. M. ....	.143	.148
Mean for 9 P. M. ....	.147	.149
Mean for quarter. ....	.139	.145

WIND.

January—	1891.	For 20 years.
Prevailing direction.	W.	W.
Velocity for month (in miles)	5,729.0	6,024.2
Maximum velocity for day (in miles) on 12th.	391	566 23d, 1882.
Maximum force of wind (in pounds) during the month, at 9.40 A. M., 12th.	17.50	30.00 3.40 P. M., 17th, 1885.
February—		
Prevailing direction.	N.	NW.
Velocity for month (in miles)	5,290.0	5,886.0
Maximum velocity for day (in miles) on 4th.	369	729 27th, 1886.
Maximum force of wind (in pounds) during the month, at 6.30 P. M., 28th.	23.50	37.50 3.50 P. M., 26th, 1886.
March—		
Prevailing direction.	ENE.	NW.
Velocity for month (in miles)	7,247.0	6,961.9
Maximum velocity for day (in miles) on 14th	459	636 12th, 1888.
Maximum force of wind (in pounds) during the month, at 9.20 A. M., 14th.	23	36.75 2.15 P. M., 12th, 1888.
Quarter—		
Prevailing direction.	ENE.	NW.
Velocity for quarter (in miles)	18,266.0	18,872.1
Maximum velocity for day (in miles) on 14th of March.	459	729 February 27th, 1886.
Maximum force of wind (in pounds) during the quarter, at 6.30 P. M., February 28th	23.50	37.50

RAIN AND SNOW.

January—	1891.	For 20 years.
Number of days on which rain and snow descended.	14	12
Duration.	D. H. M.	D. H. M.
	6 11 00	3 21 18
Depth of water in inches.	6.12	3.58
Depth of snow in inches.	10.00	9.88

February—	1891.	For 20 years.
Number of days on which rain and snow descended	16	10
	D. H. M.	D. H. M.
Duration	5 9 45	3 9 7
Depth of water in inches	4.12	3.73
Depth of snow in inches	5.25	8.71
March—		
Number of days on which rain and snow descended	11	12
	D. H. M.	D. H. M.
Duration	4 7 45	4 0 8
Depth of water in inches	3.61	3.82
Depth of snow in inches	2.25	4.88
Quarter—		
Number of days on which rain and snow descended	14	11
	D. H. M.	D. H. M.
Duration	3 9 30	3 18 11
Depth of water in inches	4.62	3.71
Depth of snow in inches	5.83	7.82

OZONE.

January—	1891.	For 11 years.
Mean for month . . . . .	.84	1.67
February—		
Mean for month	1.17	2.20
March —		
Mean for month	2.09	2.81
Quarter—		
Mean for quarter	1.37	2.22

The average number of men employed in the various works of this Department during the quarter were as follows :

	JANUARY.	FEBRUARY.	MARCH.
Officers and Clerks	18	18	17
Park Police	303	300	295
Architect	1	1	1
Inspectors	1	1	1
Riverside Park and Avenue	19	14	17
Foremen, Mechanics, Laborers etc	293	335	341
New Parks North of Harlem River	21	31	27
Totals	656	700	699

APPOINTMENTS.

1	Assistant Engineer	Per annum,	\$2,500 00
1	“	“	2,100 00
1	“	“	1,520 00
1	Assistant	“	1,140 00
1	Axeman	“	1,020 00
1	Inspector of Clothing	“	1,000 00
2	Foremen	Per month,	125 00
6	“	“	100 00
1	Assistant Foreman	“	100 00
1	“	“	90 00
1	“	Per day,	3 00
4	Draughtsmen	Per month,	100 00
2	Skilled Laborers	“	75 00
2	“	Per day,	2 00
1	Steam Engineer	Per month,	90 00
1	“	Per day,	3 00
22	Gardeners	Per month,	60 00
39	Drivers	“	55 00
1	Bridge-tender	“	60 00
6	Cottage Laborers	“	45 00
2	Cottage Attendants	“	35 00
1	Clerk	Per annum,	1,200 00
2	Masons	Per day,	3 50
2	Bricklayers	“	3 50
1	Inspector	“	4 00
4	Plumbers	“	3 50
1	Machinist	“	3 00
3	Wheelwrights	“	3 00
2	Blacksmiths	“	3 00
1	Horseshoer	“	3 00
1	Rigger	“	3 00
1	Carpenter	“	3 00
1	Fireman	“	2 25
2	Helpers	“	2 50
5	Rockmen	“	2 00
1	Laborers	“	3 50
1	“	“	3 00
8	“	“	2 00
184	“	“	1 76
2	“	“	2 50
1	“	“	1 25
1	“	“	75

8 Double teams.....	Per day,	\$4 50
2 Cartmen.....	"	3 00
*1 Foreman.....	Per month,	125 00

CHANGE OF TITLE AND PAY.

1 Property Clerk.....	Per annum, \$3,000 00 ; to Property Clerk.....	Per annum, \$2,200 00
1 Director of Menagerie	" 2,500 00 ; to Director of Menagerie.	" 2,200 00
1 Clerk.....	" 1,100 00 ; to Clerk.....	" 1,000 00
1 Captain.....	" 2,500 00 ; to Captain.....	" 2,700 00
1 Surgeon.....	" 2,200 00 ; to Surgeon.....	" 2,250 00
6 Sergeants.....	" 1,500 00 ; to Sergeants.....	" 1,800 00
11 Roundsmen.....	" 1,100 00 ; to Roundsmen.....	" 1,200 00
2 ".....	" 1,150 00 ; to Roundsmen.....	" 1,200 00
202 Parkkeepers.....	" 1,000 00 ; to Parkkeepers.....	" 1,050 00
19 ".....	" 1,100 00 ; to ".....	" 1,150 00
27 ".....	" 800 00 ; to ".....	" 850 00
18 ".....	" 800 00 ; to ".....	" 900 00
1 Roundsman.....	" 1,100 00 ; to Roundsman.....	" 1,150 00
1 Axeman.....	Per month, 75 00 ; to Axeman.....	Per month, 90 00
20 Gardeners.....	" 60 00 ; to Gardeners.....	Per day, 2 00
1 Driver.....	" 55 00 ; to Driver.....	" 2 00
1 Laborer.....	Per day, 1 76 ; to Foreman.....	Per month, 100 00
2 ".....	" 1 76 ; to Rockman.....	Per day, 2 00
1 ".....	" 1 76 ; to Laborer.....	" 2 00
2 ".....	" 1 76 ; to Laborer.....	Per month, 60 00
1 ".....	" 1 76 ; to Driver.....	" 55 00
1 ".....	" 1 50 ; to Laborer.....	Per day, 2 00

RESIGNED.

1 Draughtsman.....	Per month,	\$100 00
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OVERTIME ALLOWED.

†3 Foremen.....	Per day,	\$3 50
†3 Plumbers.....	"	3 50
†1 Horseshoer.....	"	3 00
†1 Blacksmith.....	"	3 00
†1 Steam Engineer.....	"	3 00
†3 Skilled Laborers.....	"	2 00
†3 Laborers.....	"	1 76
†7 Double Teams.....	"	4 50

* Was appointed for 30 days.

† This overtime was allowed on 3 different occasions in connection with the care of ice and skate ponds in Central and Van Cortlandt Parks.

‡ This overtime was allowed for watering on Riverside Drive and West Seventy-second street, from May 27 to August 31, 1890.

RESTORED.

1 Driver	Per month,	\$55 00
1 Blacksmith	Per day,	3 00
4 Laborers	"	1 76

DROPPED AND DISCHARGED.

1 Foreman	Per month,	\$125 00
*1 "	"	125 00
1 Clerk	Per year,	800 00
1 Division Gardener	Per month,	65 00
2 Gardeners	"	60 00
7 Bridge Tenders	"	60 00
4 Cottage Laborers	"	45 00
1 Cottage Attendant	"	35 00
1 Inspector	Per day,	4 00
1 Carpenter	"	3 00
1 Skilled Blacksmith	"	3 00
1 Blacksmith	"	3 00
1 Plumber	"	3 50
1 Laborer	"	3 00
101 Laborers	"	1 76
8 Double Teams	"	4 50
1 Police Tailor	"	2 00

Horses and wagons cared for and animals impounded during the quarter ending March 31, 1891 :

29 horses and wagons cared for	\$29 00
1 dog impounded	2 00
Total	<u>\$31 00</u>

The following statement will show the number and character of permits issued during the quarter :

For opening street for sewer connections	2
" opening street for Croton connections	1
" placing building materials on street	7
" crossing sidewalk with teams	1
" raising flags, Central and Battery Parks	3
" cutting and removing ice from Bronx Park	2
" delivering supplies on Riverside Drive	31
" delivering supplies in Central Park	18
" selling sandwiches, Van Cortlandt Park	1

* Was dropped after being employed 30 days.

For riding velocipedes, etc., in Central and City Parks	546
“ removing coffins from Castle Garden	1
“ erecting bay windows	1
“ Fire Department to open Fifth avenue and Transverse road, Sixty-fifth street	1
“ Fire Department to lay cable at Castle Garden	1
“ mass meetings, Paradise Park and Union Square	2
“ Consolidated Gas Company to reset lamp-post at Battery	1
“ painting boat at Battery	1
“ delivering goods at CITY RECORD Office	1
“ storing miniature yachts at Conservatory Lake, Central Park	23
“ cutting and removing grass, Fulton Avenue Park	1
“ repaving and repairing circle, Eighth avenue and Fifty-ninth street	1
“ painting and repairing soda-water stand, Tompkins Square	1
“ enlarging opening in wall, north end of Post Office	2
“ collecting insects	4
“ removing iron railing on approach, Third Avenue Bridge	1
“ trucks and express wagons	79
“ botanizing	2
“ Consolidated and Electrical Subway Company to dig trench, City Hall Park	1
“ opening street, Sixty-third and Sixty-fourth streets	1
“ photographing and sketching	724
“ croquet	2
“ passing over lawns on snow shoes	3

Bills and pay-rolls amounting to the sum of \$265,176.48 have been audited and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment:

Bills	\$107,660 84
Pay-rolls	157,515 64
Cash deposited with the Chamberlain	4,505 25

By order of the Department of Public Parks.

A. GALLUP, President.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to insert an advertisement in the CITY RECORD for three weeks' publication, inviting proposals for constructing the bridge over Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, provided for under chapter 207 of the Laws of 1890.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The following communications were received :

From the Secretary of War, expressing approval of the map of location and plans for a bridge over the Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street. Filed.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a copy of an ordinance to flag and curb the west side of West Seventy-second street, one hundred feet east of Amsterdam avenue. Referred to the Engineer of Construction for immediate attention.

From the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, asking that action be taken on the proposed regulations for closing the Harlem river draw-bridges during certain hours of the day. Filed.

From C. M. Bowles, urging the closing of the draws of the Harlem River Bridges during certain hours of the day. Filed.

From the President of the American Museum of Natural History, enclosing an estimate for lumber for cases on the top floor of the Museum Building.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, an order was authorized to be issued to Ichabod T. Williams and Sons, for furnishing the lumber at an expense not to exceed \$456.73, the amount of their estimate, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From Regan Brothers, desiring to furnish beef for the Central Park Menagerie. Filed.

From B. F. Crane, desiring to purchase two buildings standing on Crotona Park. Filed.

From W. J. Elliott, desiring to continue to occupy and sell refreshments in the hotel building at Pelham Bridge in Pelham Bay Park. Referred to Commissioner Tappen.

From L. F. Haffen, Engineer in Charge of the New Parks, reporting relative to an auction sale of fruit at Van Cortlandt Park. Filed.

From the Captain of Police, recommending the establishment of a sub-station at Union Square. Approved.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Reporting upon the condition of the Harlem River Bridges, and the bridges in Pelham Bay Park.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, Engineer Haffen was directed to make necessary repairs to the City Island Bridge at once, and to obtain estimates for doing the work required on Pelham Bridge, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

2d. Reporting as to the necessity for mowing the grass and weeds on the Parade Ground in Van Cortlandt Park.

On motion, the matter was referred to Commissioner Tappen, with power, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Director of the Menagerie :

1st. Recommending the purchase of a ram for the Central Park flock of sheep.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, the purchase of a ram was authorized, at a cost not to exceed \$100, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

2d. Recommending an exchange of two prairie wolves for one pair copper-colored pheasants and one pair chestnut-backed pheasants. Referred to the President.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Reporting upon an application of William Mansfield for an extension of time on his contract for rebuilding the superstructure of Bridge 26, Central Park.

On motion of Commissioner Straus, the time for the completion of the contract was extended to October 15, 1891, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

2d. Reporting upon an application of the Trustees of the Metropolitan Museum of Art for authority to erect a temporary structure adjacent to the Museum Building for the purpose of receiving, etc., a collection of sculptural casts, and recommending that the same be granted.

On motion, the recommendation of the Superintendent was approved.

From James O'Connor, resigning his position as a Park Policeman. Filed.

The President 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 :

American District Telegraph Company,		
service	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.	\$2 54
Anchor Post Company, posts.....	Zoological Department.....	115 00
Arnold, David P., meat.....	Zoological Department.....	243 00
Arnold, Constable & Co., rugs.....	Am. Mus. Nat. History, En-	
largement of, 1887.....		185 00
Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band, music.....	Music.....	170 00
Baker, Voorhis & Co., Laws 1891.....	Labor, Maint.—Gen. Maint....	2 50
Bucki, Chas. L. & Co., yellow pine.....	Labor, Maint.—Gen. Maint....	29 07
Cady, J. C. & Co., professional services....	Am. Mus. Nat. History, En-	
largement of, 1889.....		212 50
Cady, J. C. & Co., professional services....	Am. Mus. Nat. History, 1887.	244 20
Cappa, C. A.....	Music.....	460 00
Connor, George A.....	Music.....	220 00
Conterno, Luciano.....	Music.....	340 00
Dunham, Thomas C., whiting.....	Labor, Maint.—Gen. Maint....	141 49
Decker, T. W. & Sons, milk.....	Zoological Department.....	13 02
East River Mill and Lumber Company, The.....	Labor, Maint.—Gen. Maint....	108 82
Eben, Felix I.....	Music.....	680 00
Gilmour, Robert M., greenhouses, 1889....	Labor, Maint.—Gen. Maint.,	
1889.....		186 70
Harmer, Hays & Co., thread, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—Gen. Maint.,	
1889.....		32 80
Hayek, F. & Co., furniture.....	Am. Mus. Nat. History, En-	
largement of, 1887.....		449 00
Keuffel & Esser Company, paper, etc....	Morningside Park —Construc-	
tion parapet wall, etc.....		20 80
Keuffel & Esser Company, paints, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—Gen. Maint....	14 15
Lanier, Charles, Treasurer, salaries, etc.,		
Am. Mus. Natural History, August....	Maint.—Museums.....	2,577 09
Leiboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band.....	Music.....	170 00
Longstaff & Hurd, Estimate No. 1.....	Am. Mus. Nat. History, En-	
largement of.....		8,500 00

Manhattan Supply Co., The, hammers, etc. Care of New Parks, north of Harlem River.....	\$18 02	
Labor, Maint.—Gen. Maint....	1 29	
		\$19 31
McKesson & Robbins, sponges.....	Labor, Maint.—Gen. Maint....	11 25
New York Mutual Gas-light Co., The, gas. Gen. Maint.....		40 88
Robbins, Rowland A., couplings.....	Labor, Maint.—Gen. Maint....	82 80
Smith, B. & W. B., Estimate No. 2.....	Am. Mus. Nat. History, En- largement of, 1889.....	8,500 00
Taussig, E. & Co., disinfecting fluid.....	Labor, Maint.—Gen. Maint....	79 50
Trow City Directory Company, The, di- rectories.....	Labor, Maint.—Gen. Maint....	25 00
Mutual District Messenger Company, Ltd., messenger service.....	Labor, Maint.—Gen. Maint....	3 94
		<u>\$23,880 36</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$576 03
Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance, 1889.....	186 70
Zoological Department.....	371 02
Music.....	2,040 00
Maintenance—Museums.....	2,577 09
Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem River.....	18 02
American Museum of Natural History—Enlargement of, Laws 1887.....	9,378 20
American Museum of Natural History—Enlargement of, Laws 1889.....	8,712 50
Morningside Park—Construction of parapet wall, etc.....	20 80
	<u>\$23,880 36</u>

Amounting to the sum of twenty three thousand eight hundred and eighty dollars and thirty-six cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, September 9, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Strauss, Dana, Tappen—4.

Messrs. George H. Moore and Marvin Savage, of the Greeley Statue Committee, were heard in relation to a site for the statue of Horace Greeley, proposed to be erected on the parks.

On motion, at 11.40 A. M. the Board went into executive session.

The President presented the following report :

The President reports that since the last meeting nothing of consequence has taken place excepting the opening of Castle Garden as a free concert hall. Upwards of three thousand people were present, and it is proposed to give as many more free concerts as the subscriptions will justify. The demonstration was a pronounced success. The Mayor was present and expressed the hope that Castle Garden would continue to be devoted to public amusements. This Department was also represented.

The great increase in the necessity for police supervision of the parks in the last few years makes it necessary that a sub-station should be established at Union Square, in accordance with the recommendation of the Captain, which is herewith submitted. A Sergeant has been detailed in charge of the down-town parks, and there are under him about 50 officers, which is nearly as many as there are attached to some of the City police precincts. To show how important their work is, during the week ending August 31, I am told that there were two cases of assault and battery, two of highway robbery and one of attempted suicide in Battery Park alone, and that in every case the principals and witnesses were arrested and committed to jail or to the House of Detention. The establishment of this sub-station will not increase the police expenses. There is room in the cottage in Union Square for a desk for the Roundsman in charge.

On motion, the report of the President was accepted and approved.

Honorable John Bogart and E. P. Barker and Malcolm W. Niven, Secretary of the Harlem River Bridge Commission, were heard in relation to the proposed transfer to this Department of the care and maintenance of Washington Bridge.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That in pursuance of a communication dated August 5, 1891, from the Harlem River Bridge Commission, in reference to Washington Bridge, and the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation ;

It is ordered that on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, the Department of Public Parks hereby accepts the said bridge and its approaches as authorized under the Act of 1885, and requests that all maps and records and plans connected therewith be filed with the Department of Parks ;

And further, provided that such transfer does not charge the Department with any existing unfinished contracts.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Tappen called up the resolution relative to the closing of draw-bridges over Harlem river during certain hours of the day, which, after discussion, was amended so as to read as follows :

Whereas, An application on behalf of a large number of citizens having been presented to the Department of Public Parks in the City of New York, asking that some reasonable regulations

shall be established in reference to the opening and closing of the draws of the Third Avenue Bridge and the Madison Avenue Bridge, over the Harlem river ; and

Whereas, It appearing that the convenience and accommodation of the very large volume of passenger travel and freight traffic, including the passage of the Third Avenue Bridge by vehicles and foot travel, calls for some suitable regulation in the matter ; provided, however, that such regulation shall not disturb the legitimate business traffic by water passing through the draws ;

Resolved, That until this regulation be disapproved by the Secretary of War, the draws of said bridges shall be opened for six months from date as usual for river traffic, except between the hours of 6.30 and 9.30 o'clock in the morning, standard city time, and that during those hours the draws be closed. This regulation shall not apply to boats of the Fire Department, to the regular transportation business of any transportation company or common carrier at present organized, which shall have right of passage through the draws as heretofore, upon showing the proper signal.

The President put the question, whether the Board would agree to said preambles and resolution and it was decided in the negative, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Dana and Tappen—2.

Noes— “ Gallup and Straus—2.

In explanation of his vote, Commissioner Gallup submitted the following :

This is a renewal of an application made to this Department in 1889, for an order to keep the draws in the Third and Fourth Avenue Bridges over the Harlem river closed from seven to ten in the forenoon and from five to eight in the afternoon of each day.

Action upon the original application was suspended pending an investigation by the Secretary of War, under sections 9 and 10 of the River and Harbor Act of 1888, for the purpose of determining whether the bridges in question as then operated were undue obstructions to navigation.

A board of eminent engineers, convened by the Secretary, personally examined the bridges and held public sessions in the City of New York, at which representatives of all the interests using the bridges and the water ways under them submitted evidence and were fully heard.

The City was represented upon this hearing by the Corporation Counsel.

The Board reached the unanimous conclusion and reported that both of the bridges in question, even as operated under the existing regulations, were obstructions to navigation, which, under the laws of the United States, ought to be removed.

They further found and reported that the remedy for the evil which would best satisfy the just demands of travel over and travel under the bridges to increase the span of the draws and to raise the bridges to a clear height of twenty-four feet above high water.

The Secretary of War, upon this report, and in pursuance of the statute above cited, has ordered the city and the railroad company to change their respective bridges according to these requirements.

Congress has specifically confirmed this action of the Secretary and directed him to cause the changes to be made, by chapter 907 of Laws of 1889-1890.

Compliance with these requirements would produce just the relief for travel over the bridges which the present petitioners seek ; for if the bridges were raised to the height indicated, the draws could be kept closed during the morning and evening hours without stopping tug-boats and barges; and the Act of Congress of 1890 directs that when the bridges have been raised the draws shall be kept so closed.

The present application calls upon us to ignore these conclusions and directions of the federal authorities, and in lieu of compliance therewith to formally authorize an increase of the obstruction to navigation, which they have ordered to be removed.

This proposition would be sufficiently serious if it led to a conflict with only the ordinary exercise of federal jurisdiction over a navigable water-way of the United States.

In this case, however, the Government of the United States is actually engaged in improving navigation of the water-way which is obstructed, and which we are asked to further obstruct. It is expending in this improvement vast sums of money drawn from the revenues of the country at large. The legislation of Congress which we are asked to ignore is contained in the very acts making appropriations to continue this work, and is in aid of the work.

The improvement was not thrust upon us, but was undertaken by the General Government upon the earnest solicitation of the City of New York. To induce it the Legislature of the State, by chapter 345 of the Laws of 1879, specifically ceded to the United States full jurisdiction over the territory occupied by this water-way and crossed by these bridges, reserving only the right to send into it civil and criminal process. And in 1882 the City of New York, by deed under seal, formally conveyed to the United States its title to the land under water across which these bridges extend.

This cession of jurisdiction and this grant of title were conditions upon which the United States entered upon the work of improvement, and the plainest requirements of good faith preclude any attempt on our part to nullify their effect.

It moreover appears that the remedy of the federal authorities is simply to make the bridges conform in width of span and height above the water to the precise standard adopted by the Legislature of this State in the Act of 1889, for all new bridges across the Harlem river, so that the War Department, the Congress and State Legislature all agree as to the kind of structure which in justice to all interests ought to be allowed to cross the water-way.

In our judgment it is the duty of the City of New York and of the New York Central Railroad Company to promptly conform their bridges to this standard, and thereby without destroying navigation, render to the petitioners who are now before us the relief which they seek.

The only reason presented for not following this course, is that some legislation is required to authorize the necessary changes to the bridge approaches.

The Legislature has shown no disinclination to grant such authority. Under all the circumstances it could not hesitate to do so.

This Department caused a bill to be prepared and introduced at the last session containing the requisite provisions regarding the Third Avenue Bridge. It was progressed without difficulty and apparently would have passed had it not been for the unfortunate deadlock in the Senate with which the session closed. There is no reason to doubt its passage at the next session.

The railroad company introduced a bill at the session before the last, relating to its bridges at Fourth avenue. It passed both houses, but was vetoed by the Governor because it failed to protect the rights of adjacent property owners. There is no evidence of any attempt by the railroad company to remedy the defects of that bill, or to obtain any other or further legislative action although an entire session of the Legislature has intervened.

The Legislature cannot be expected to move of itself in such a matter. Such legislation is obtained by preparing proper bills and asking for their enactment. That is the course which should be followed here; and but a few months need elapse before the requisite authority is obtained, if it is sought in good faith.

The parties upon whom rest the obligation to move in the matter are not entitled to ask that other interests be sacrificed in order to relieve them of a temporary inconvenience caused by their own failure to act.

To authorize the closing of the present draws would remove the incentive which they now have to seek the legislation and make the changes required, and would postpone the effective and permanent solution of the difficulty. It would place us in an attitude of defiance towards the Federal authorities in relation to a great work of public improvement which they are prosecuting at our request; and it would be unjust to the business and property interests affected by the navigation of the Harlem.

It is far better for the residents north of that river that we and they should unite with the Federal authorities in demanding the application of the true remedy to the evil of which they complain.

For these reasons the application must be denied.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to authorize the transfer of the sum of eight hundred dollars from the appropriation for "Telephonic Service" for the current year, for which said amount is not required, to the appropriation for "Harlem River Bridges—Repairs, Improvement and Maintenance" for the current year, said sum being required for the maintenance of the Washington Bridge for the remainder of the year 1891.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The Secretary presented a statement of moneys received and deposited in the City Treasury during the months of July and August, which was ordered entered upon the minutes, as follows:

Statement of Moneys Deposited in the City Treasury during the Month of July, 1891.

LICENSES.

1891.		
July	2. H. Castrop.....	\$45 05
"	2. John T. Jordan.....	44 47
"	3. Isidor Isaac (carrousel, June).....	86 45
"	3. " (goat carriages, June).....	22 79

1891.

July 3.	W. H. Radford.....	\$1,124 77	
" 7.	R. M. Watson.....	10 97	
" 7.	C. H. Schultz.....	57 70	
" 7.	Max L. Jacobs.....	26 00	
" 8.	Dennis F. Cray.....	40 50	
" 9.	E. S. Stokes.....	542 09	
" 9.	O. H. Riker.....	25 33	
" 10.	W. A. Hall.....	1,200 00	
" 13.	John Lucas.....	13 56	
" 13.	A. Lawrence.....	8 10	
" 13.	Charles Schwarz.....	95 14	
" 15.	Gabriel Case.....	849 74	
" 21.	William Keeler.....	200 00	
			\$4,392 66

SPECIAL FUND—REPAVING.

July 1.	John D. Crimmins.....		20 00
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ZOOLOGICAL FUND.

July 16.	George P. Morgan, auction sale of sheep.....		217 35
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POUND.

July 13.	Property Clerk, receipts, June.....		16 00
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GRASS.

July 13.	Property Clerk, receipts, June.....		104 00
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SUNDRY RECEIPTS.

July 3.	Alfred Scott & Co., music programmes.....	\$160 00	
" 16.	George P. Morgan, old elevator, Metropolitan Museum of Art. . .	63 90	
" 16.	“ wool.....	56 70	
" 24.	Property Clerk, auction sale, fruit, Bronx and Pelham Parks . . .	20 00	
			300 60

RENTS.

July 1.	F. Hickman.....	\$8 00	
" 1.	Thomas Byrnes.....	5 00	
" 1.	A. Russie.....	4 00	
" 2.	John Livingston.....	10 00	
" 2.	S. E. Marshall.....	100 00	
" 2.	R. Greenhaegh.....	5 00	
" 2.	D. W. Caruthers.....	25 00	
" 3.	A. J. Wood.....	8 00	
" 3.	S. Samuels.....	60 00	
" 3.	Bronx Bleaching Co.....	100 00	

1891.

July	3.	John Bromley.....	\$8 00	
"	6.	Mary Thomas.....	10 00	
"	6.	M. McCormick.....	30 00	
"	7.	James E. Connor.....	40 00	
"	7.	R. M. Watson.....	25 00	
"	8.	James M. Waterbury.....	733 33	
"	8.	Mary J. Doyle.....	10 00	
"	8.	F. A. Hemming.....	75 00	
"	10.	P. C. Roosevelt.....	120 00	
"	13.	W. B. Birchell.....	4 00	
"	20.	F. M. Melville.....	40 00	
"	20.	Andrew Bridgman.....	30 00	
"	20.	James A. McElhinny.....	50 00	
"	21.	Richard D. Armour.....	24 00	
"	23.	Abram Skedgell.....	4 00	
"	27.	J. & A. A. Entz.....	48 00	
"	31.	George A. Adee.....	83 34	
				\$1,659 67
		Total.....		\$6,710 28

Statement of Moneys Deposited in the City Treasury during the Month of August, 1891.

LICENSES.

1891.

Aug.	3.	John T. Jordan.....	\$33 25	
"	3.	Thomas J. Brown.....	1,000 00	
"	3.	Henry Castrop.....	37 92	
"	4.	W. H. Radford.....	1,067 23	
"	4.	Isidor Isaacs (carrousel, July).....	97 65	
"	4.	Isidor Isaac (goat carriages, July).....	21 42	
"	5.	C. H. Schultz.....	41 34	
"	6.	August Braun.....	2,025 00	
"	6.	O. H. Riker.....	27 05	
"	6.	Dennis F. Cray.....	29 52	
"	10.	R. M. Watson.....	15 38	
"	10.	Max L. Jacobs.....	22 50	
"	12.	N. Y. C. & H. R. R. Co.....	100 00	
"	12.	John Lucas.....	13 32	
"	12.	E. S. Stokes.....	447 25	
"	12.	Gabe Case.....	670 15	
"	13.	Charles Schwarz.....	92 49	
"	16.	Commissioners Statue of Liberty.....	100 00	
				\$5,841 47

1891.

POUND.

Aug. 28. Property Clerk—Receipts for July.....	\$20 50
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GRASS.

Aug. 28. Property Clerk—Receipts for July.....	27 00
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SUNDRY RECEIPTS.

Aug. 26. A. Scott & Co., music programmes.....	150 00
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RENTS.

Aug. 1. S. E. Marshall.....	\$100 00	
" 4. Bronx Bleaching Co.....	100 00	
" 4. N. Hickman.....	8 00	
" 4. John Bromley.....	8 00	
" 6. Mary J. Doyle.....	10 00	
" 6. Robert Greenbaegh.....	5 00	
" 6. A. J. Wood.....	8 00	
" 10. R. M. Watson.....	25 00	
" 10. A. Russie.....	4 00	
" 12. C. F. Frothingham.....	150 00	
" 20. Peter Woolley.....	60 00	
" 21. W. B. Bricchell.....	4 00	
" 25. M. McCormick.....	30 00	
" 28. Edward McCue.....	10 00	
	<hr/>	522 00
Total.....		<hr/> <hr/> \$6,560 97

On motion, at 12.35 P. M., the executive session arose and the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, 23d instant, at 10 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1891--ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present--Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the opening of proposals or bids for contracts was postponed until 12.30 o'clock P. M.

The matter of the proposed removal of the elevated railway structures from Battery Park was then taken up.

Messrs. F. B. House, L. J. Callanan, Henry Schmidt, Horace Barnard, Kempner, S. R. Penfield, Thomas Barrett and Alderman John Morris were heard in favor of the proposed removal.

Messrs. Lawson N. Fuller, T. H. Boorman, representing the West Side Democratic Club, Edward P. Griffin, representing the Washington Heights Tax payers' Association, G. P. H. McVay, Julien T. Davies and Alderman H. S. Harris were heard in opposition.

The hearing was then declared closed.

Mr. Erastus Wiman submitted a remonstrance against such removal signed by more than five thousand persons.

At the hour of 12.30 P. M., Mr. E. G. Marsh, representing 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 estimates or proposals which had been received in accordance with advertisements duly published in the CITY RECORD for the following works :

For Alteration of the Roads, Walks and Improvements required in Connection with the Erection of Washington Memorial Arch, in Washington Square.

ITEMS.	ESTIMATED QUANTITIES.	JOSEPH MOORE.	
		PRICE.	AMOUNT.
1. Old pavement to relay	1,140 square yards.	\$0 77	\$877 80
2. New pavement to furnish and lay	860 "	2 50	2,150 00
3. Old bridge-stones to relay	60 square feet.	10	6 00
4. New bridge-stones to furnish and lay	828 "	60	496 80
5. Old curb-stones to reset	150 lineal feet.	10	15 00
6. Straight blue-stone curb to furnish and set	101 "	2 00	202 00
7. Curved blue-stone curb to furnish and set	247 "	2 00	494 00
8. Receiving-basin to be rebuilt	1.	175 00	175 00
9. 12 vitrified stoneware pipe to furnish and lay	20 lineal feet.	1 50	30 00
10. Rock asphalt pavement	6,000 square feet.	33	1,980 00
11. Old blue-stone edging to reset	225 lineal feet.	10	22 50
12. New blue-stone edging to furnish and set	155 "	1 00	155 00
Amount			\$6,604 10

For Paving with Rock Asphalt or Compressed Asphalt Tiles, certain Walks in Riverside Park, between Seventy-second and Seventy-ninth Streets.

BIDDERS.	33,000 SQUARE FEET OF PAVEMENT.	AMOUNT.
Edwin H. Wootton	19c.	\$6,435 00
Neuchatel Asphalt Company (Limited)	18c.	5,940 00
The Sicilian Asphalt Paving Company	20c.	6,600 00

The President 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.

Arnold, D. P., meat	Zoological Department	\$234 00
Ashcroft, John, Pat. Grate Bar and Furnace		
Door Mfg. Co., grate bars	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.	200 00
Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band, music		340 00
Cappa, C. A., music	Music	920 00
Conterno, Luciano, music	Music	510 00

Colwell Lead Co., couplings.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		\$27 00
Consolidated Gas Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.	\$78 12	
	Zoological Department.....	14 75	
	Harlem River Bridges—Re-		
	pairs and Supplies.....	11 38	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	18 37	
		<hr/>	122 62
Decker, T. W. & Sons, milk.....	Zoological Department.....		13 02
Dickinson, Bros. & King, cement.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		137 50
Ellis, C. C. & Son, bread.....	Zoological Department.....		83 70
Edward, Joseph & Co., steel shaft.....	Harlem River Bridges—Re-		
	pairs and Supplies.....		12 00
Hell Gate Oil Works, oil.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		22 50
Hazard Powder Co., The, powder, etc....	Care of New Parks north of		
	Harlem River.....		2 89
Ingersoll, Horace, oil, meal.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs..		2 50
Keuffel & Esser Co., levelling rod, etc....	Resurfacing roadway, 5th ave.,		
	90th to 110th streets.....	\$12 00	
	Care of New Parks north of		
	Harlem River.....	24 96	
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Lieboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band, music..	Music.....		510 00
Mott, J. L., Iron Works, W. C. apparatus.	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		53 46
Murray, H. & H., coke.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		7 00
Patterson Bros., gas pipe, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		20 21
Perry, W. B. & Son, apples, etc.....	Zoological Department.....		98 00
Tyndale, B. S., fish.....	Zoological Department.....		15 50
Ward, Thomas, coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.	\$47 50	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	4 75	
		<hr/>	52 25
Wootton, E. H., dead oil, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maint.		69 35
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			\$3,490 46

RECAPITULATION.

Labor Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$662 64
Zoological Department.....	458 97
Music.....	2,280 00
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	23 38
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	25 62
Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem River.....	27 85
Resurfacing Roadway, Fifth Avenue, Ninetieth to One Hundred and Tenth Streets.....	12 00
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	\$3,490 46

Amounting to the sum of three thousand four hundred and ninety dollars and forty-six cents.

A. GALLUP, {
A. B. TAPPEN, { Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, September 23, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved, and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Cady, J. C. & Co., professional services.....	Am. Mus. Natural History— Enlargement of.....		\$163 62
Doak, George F., amount retained.....	Regulating, etc., Morningside avenue, west from 110th street to Tenth avenue....		1,761 52
Fortunato, M., Estimate No. 3.....	Mount Morris Park, Construc- tion of wall around.....		1,432 90
Hess, D. S. & Co., Estimate No. 1.....	Am. Mus. Natural History— Enlargement of.....		6,545 00
Hopper, John J., Estimate No. 5.....	Morningside Park, Construc- tion of—Completion of bays, etc.....		9,911 20
Mason, F. H. D., petty disbursements.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$175 22	
	Care and Maint.—New Parks north of Harlem river.....	103 01	
	Zoological Department.....	115 45	
			393 68
Moore, Joseph, Estimate No. 1.....	Improving the Plaza at 110th street and Fifth avenue....		5,700 80
Pierce, John, Estimate No. 3.....	Met. Museum of Art—Comple- ting North Extension.....		38,544 28
Sicilian Asphalt Paving Co. (The), Estimate No. 1.....	Labor, Maint., etc.—General Maintenance.....		2,965 90
Tuckerman, A. L., professional services....	Met. Museum Art—Completing North Extension.....		992 17
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			\$68,411 07

RECAPITULATION.

American Museum Natural History--Enlargement of, 1889.....	\$6,708 62
Street Improvement Fund.....	1,761 52
Mount Morris Park, Construction of.....	1,432 90
Morningside Park, Construction of--Completion of bays, etc.....	9,911 20
Labor, Maintenance, etc.--General Maintenance.....	3,141 12
Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem river.....	103 01
Zoological Department.....	115 45
Improving Plaza at One Hundred and Tenth Street and Fifth Avenue....	5,700 80
Metropolitan Museum of Art, Completing North Extension, 1889.....	39,536 45
	\$68,411 07

Amounting to the sum of sixty-eight thousand four hundred and eleven dollars and seven cents.

A. GALLUP,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, September 23, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes--Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen--3.

On motion, at 12.50 P. M., the Board adjourned to meet on Wednesday, September 30, at 10 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Tappen.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of previous meetings was dispensed with.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Departmental Estimate for the year 1892.

The President submitted the following estimate of the amounts required for the several works of the Department, together with a comparative statement of appropriations asked for and received since 1890.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS—DEPARTMENTAL ESTIMATE FOR THE YEAR 1892.

Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places :

Salaries—To pay entirely the salaries of the President, Secretary and Clerical Force in the Office of the Commissioners ; the Property Clerk and Clerks in his Office ; the Superintendent of Parks and Clerk in his Office ; the Engineer of Construction ; the Meteorologist ; the Entomologist, and Director of the Menagerie :

President	\$5,000 00	
Secretary, Superintendent, Engineer, Clerks, etc	34,755 00	
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Police :

Salaries of Captain, Surgeons, Sergeants, Roundsmen, Patrolmen, Doormen, Special Keepers and wages of all persons employed in the Police Stables.	\$340,600 00
For Supplies and Repairs.	12,500 00

353,100 00

Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places :

Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs—For	
General Maintenance, including Special Watering of Trees	
and Plants, also including Care and Maintenance of One	
Hundred and Tenth and One Hundred and Twenty-second	
streets, and Fifth and Morningside Avenues ; also including	
\$25,000 for improvement of the City Parks, other than	
Central Park.....	\$327,600 00
City Parks (except Mount Morris)	10,000 00
Mount Morris Park	15,000 00
	\$352,600 00
Zoological Department—For the keeping, preservation and exhibition of the	
collection in the Zoological Department of the Central Park, including	
repairs to buildings used for that purpose.....	
	25,000 00
Maintenance of Museums—For the keeping, preservation and exhibition of the	
collections in the American Museum of Natural History and the Metro-	
politan Museum of Art	
	50,000 00
Music—Central Park and the City Parks.....	25,000 00
Telephonic Service—For Maintaining Telephonic Service for the Department.....	4,000 00
Rents.....	5,500 00
Fourth Avenue Public Parks—For Laying Out, Improving and Inclosing Public	
Parks on Fourth Avenue, between Fifty-sixth and Sixty-seventh Streets, as	
authorized by chapter 488, Laws 1890.....	
	10,000 00
Surveys, Maps and Plans—For making Surveys, and Maps for Laying Out Parks or	
Places, for the use of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment.....	
	1,500 00
Riverside Park and Avenue and Seventy-second Street—For the Improvement and	
Maintenance of.....	
	25,000 00
Morningside Park, Improvement and Maintenance of.....	
	7,500 00
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs, Improvements and Maintenance—	
General Maintenance	\$25,000 00
Special Repairs	5,000 00
	30,000 00
Cleaning Lakes in Central Park.....	25,000 00
Special Resurfacing Seventy-second Street, from Eighth to Tenth Avenue, or two	
blocks as deemed necessary.....	5,000 00
Special Graveling, Central Park.....	12,500 00
Entrance to Central Park at West One Hundred and Sixth Street.....	12,000 00
Improving the Plaza at One Hundred and Tenth Street and Fifth Avenue.....	13,000 00
Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem River, including	
Surveying and Monumenting.....	78,090 00
	\$1,074,545 00
Total.....	

On motion of Commissioner Straus, it was

Resolved, That the Departmental Estimate, as presented by the President, be approved and ordered transmitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and that a schedule showing a comparative statement of the estimates and appropriations since the year 1890, prepared by the President, be also transmitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

A copy of the Estimate was ordered forwarded to the Board of Aldermen.

The following communications were received :

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting a copy of a resolution transferring the sum of six hundred dollars from the appropriation made for telephonic service for the current year to the appropriation made for Harlem River Bridge. Filed.

From the Comptroller, in relation to the wall proposed to be constructed around Mount Morris Park, and the reasons why the appropriation asked therefor was not granted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the design for an iron fence or railing this day submitted be approved and substituted for the plan approved on July 15, 1891, for an inclosing wall around Mount Morris Park ; that the same be forwarded to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for approval, with the request that the Comptroller be authorized and directed to issue bonds to the amount of eighteen thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, as provided by chapter 575 of the Laws of 1887, to be used for the purpose of erecting the railing as designed to inclose the said park with the exception of the entrances.

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board on July 22, 1891, requesting the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the expenditure of six thousand dollars from the amount raised for a foundation wall around Mount Morris Park, for the purpose of constructing the superstructure to be placed on said foundation, in accordance with a plan adopted July 15, 1891, be so amended as to refer to the design this day approved instead of the said plan therein mentioned.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From Lieut.-Col. G. L. Gillespie, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., respecting the construction of the proposed bridge over Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street. Filed.

From Robert A. Chesebrough, protesting against the removal of the elevated railway tracks from the Battery Park. Filed.

From Henry Kayser and others, asking that an ordinance be made requiring all vehicles using the parks at night to carry lights. Filed.

From the Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Company, in relation to the cost of the telephonic service furnished the Department during the current year. Filed.

From the New York & New Jersey Globe Gas-light Company, desiring to place a number of their lamps in the Central Park and maintain the same at their own expense.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the proposition was accepted upon the condition that one year's trial be given without charge, the lamps to be placed at such locations and in such numbers as may be designated by the Department, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From Gabriel Case, calling attention to the necessity for repairs to the sheds for the accommodation of saddle horses at McGown's Pass Tavern.

On motion, the matter was referred to the President with power, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From Dennis Rooney, asking permission to maintain a refreshment stand at Castle Garden.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the application of Dennis Rooney was granted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From Daniel Sullivan, applying for an extension of his license to sell refreshments and let boats at the skate-house in Van Cortlandt Park.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, said license was granted for five years, the licensee to pay a fee equal to five per cent. of his gross receipts for the privilege, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From E. B. Southwick, Entomologist, reporting upon a letter from Rev. George Lansing Taylor, in relation to a glacial furrow discovered in Pelham Bay Park.

On motion, the matter was referred back to Mr. Southwick, with directions to locate the furrow on the park map in order that the same may be preserved.

From J. C. Cady & Co., Architects, submitting a time statement on the contract of James B. Smith for the enlargement of the American Museum of Natural History. Filed.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Reporting in relation to a strip of roadway of the Plaza at Fifth avenue and Fifty-ninth street, requiring repairs not included in the contract, and recommending that the work be done at an additional estimated cost of \$960.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the recommendation of the Engineer was approved, and an order was authorized to be issued for doing the work at an expense not to exceed \$960, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

2d. Forwarding an assessment list for the improvement of Morningside avenue, West.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the assessment list for regulating, grading, paving, etc., the avenue bounding the Morningside Park, on the westerly side, from One Hundred and Tenth street to Tenth avenue, together with the amount and cost of the work therein mentioned, be approved, and, when signed by the Commissioners, transmitted to the Board of Assessors.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

3d. Submitting a time statement on the contract for constructing an iron boiler-house over the draw span of the Madison Avenue Bridge, and recommending that the penalty for the overtime (7½ days) be remitted.

On motion, the recommendation was approved.

4th. Submitting a time statement on the contract for repaving and resurfacing the roadway of Fifth avenue, from Ninetieth to One Hundred and Tenth street, and recommending that the penalty for the overtime (4½ days) be remitted.

On motion, the recommendation of the Engineer was approved.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Recommending that a permit be granted to Alexander Brown, Jr., to pass over Riverside Drive, from Ninetieth to Ninety-first street, with trucks and teams for the delivery of building-material. Referred to the President.

2d. Recommending that pay be allowed for overtime made by drivers, laborers and teams employed in watering roads in Central Park and Riverside Drive.

On motion, pay amounting to \$455.59 was allowed for overtime, as recommended by the Superintendent, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From Charles J. Hannelly, Clerk, applying for an increase of pay. Filed.

Commissioner Tappen moved that it be the sense of the Board that swan boats be placed upon the Harlem meer ; also that a carrousel be constructed in the upper end of the park preferably on the easterly side. Which was carried.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the contracts for which proposals were received on 23d instant be awarded as follows :

For alterations of roads in connection with the Washington Memorial Arch in Washington square to Joseph Moore.

For paving walks in Riverside Park between Seventy-second and Seventy-ninth streets to the Neuchatel Asphalt Company (Limited), they being the lowest bidders ; that their proposals be sent

to the Comptroller for his approval of sureties, and, when so approved, that the President be authorized to sign the contracts for and on behalf of the Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

The President submitted the following report :

The President reports as follows :

In the matter of the Seventh Avenue Bridge, a communication is submitted from the Engineer's office, United States Army, notifying this Department that an Assistant Engineer has been detailed to inspect the work as it progresses, and the same has been acknowledged.

On September 11, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment transferred from the telephone account to the account for the general maintenance of the Harlem River Bridges the sum of \$600, which was the estimated cost of the maintenance of the Washington Bridges during the last three months of this year. The resolution of this Board, accepting the care of the same for the future, was transmitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The request of this Board for an appropriation to build a wall on two sides of Mount Morris Park was referred back upon the Comptroller's objection, who then said that he preferred that a plan should be submitted which would enable the Department to erect a structure around the whole park, inasmuch as an application to the Legislature would be necessary for an additional appropriation, should the plan as presented by the Department be approved, and suggested that an iron fence with suitable gates would be preferable, as it could be constructed at a less cost. A written communication since received from the Comptroller upon the subject is laid before the Board, and designs are herewith submitted with estimate of cost of an iron railing.

The Board of Police has been requested to furnish one hundred and fifty policemen to keep order at Van Cortlandt Park on October 8, during the First Brigade manœuvres.

A communication from the New York and New Jersey Globe Gas-light Company is submitted. Two requests have been made by this Board to the Gas Commission to light the parks : one to erect a line of posts across Central Park, at Seventy-second street, and the other to light East River Park. No action has been taken in either case. I recommend that the New York and New Jersey Globe Gas-light Company be permitted to supply as much free illumination as they may choose, with the distinct understanding, however, that the Department shall have whatever benefit may result without cost to it, and that the lamps shall be maintained for one year. In this way the interests of the public will be well served, and it will cost the Department nothing. Under section 69 of the Consolidation Act, this Department has the sole authority to locate lamp-posts in the parks.

On motion, the report of the President was approved.

The Board then proceeded to consider the evidence taken in the trials of Park Policemen.

William G. Lyons, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined five days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

William G. Lyons, charged with neglect of duty and violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

James Gorman, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Thomas F. Patterson, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Thomas F. Patterson, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined five days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Frank T. Baldwin, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was acquitted.

James Ryan, charged with intoxication, violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined ten days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

William F. Hollahan, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was acquitted.

James Hayes, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty and reprimanded.

Joseph Verity, charged with being off post and relieving point, was acquitted.

Patrick Dooley, charged with neglect of duty, was acquitted.

Charles Grimm, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was acquitted.

George Gregory, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was acquitted.

Cornelius Mulvey, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was acquitted.

Michael F. Fallon, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty and cautioned.

Joseph Harris, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

George H. Donahue, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Edward F. Johnston, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Edward J. Dougherty, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty and reprimanded.

John Cahill, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty and cautioned.

Thomas Flynn, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

William G. Lyons, charged with violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined thirty days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

John Buckley, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty and cautioned.

Charles E. Bertrand, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Christopher F. McMahon, charged with sleeping on post, was found guilty as charged and, in view of his previous good record, was fined fifteen days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Henry H. Andereya, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

James J. Cain, charged with being off post and sleeping while on duty, was found guilty as charged and fined five days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

William H. Schultz, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Frank Dowd, charged with being off post, was found guilty and reprimanded.

William J. Stephens, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Jeremiah Shea, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was acquitted.

Aaron Rose, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Thomas J. Howard, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined five days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Peter F. Hines, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty and cautioned.

Hugh Dunphy, charged with sleeping on post, was found guilty as charged and fined thirty days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

James Gorman, charged with intoxication, violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found not guilty of intoxication, but cautioned for violation of rules in taking a drunken man to the elevated railway station.

Daniel Troy, charged with intoxication, was found guilty as charged and fined thirty days' pay (only in view of previous good record), by the following vote :

Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Daniel Troy, charged with intoxication. On motion, charge dismissed.

Alfred C. Newell, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined five days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Thomas Shea, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Adolph Klein, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Thomas F. Patterson, charged with insubordination, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Michael J. Burke, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was acquitted.

John Shea, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty and cautioned.

Charles Baptist, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty and cautioned.

John J. Kavanagh, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

The President 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 :

Smith, James B., payment acceptance.....	American Museum Natural History—Enlargement of.....	<u>\$73,717 74</u>
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RECAPITULATION.

American Museum Natural History—Enlargement of, Laws 1889.....	<u>\$73,717 74</u>
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Amounting to the sum of seventy-three thousand seven hundred and seventeen dollars and seventy-four cents.

A. GALLUP,
NATHAN STRAUS. } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, September 30, 1891.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, on motion, the same was approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—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 :

Babcock, Chas. H., payment acceptance....	Resurfacing roadway, 5th ave., 90th to 110th street.....	\$7,230 00
Martin Lawrence, payment acceptance....	Harlem River Bridges, maintenance and special repairs, 1890.....	2,300 00
		<u>\$9,530 00</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Resurfacing roadway, 5th avenue, 90th to 110th street.....	\$7,230 00
Harlem River Bridges, maintenance and special repairs, 1890.....	2,300 00
	<u>\$9,530 00</u>

Amounting to the sum of nine thousand five hundred and thirty dollars.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS. } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, September 30, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—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 :

Baynes' Sixty-ninth Regiment Band.....	Music.....		\$170 00
Brandis Manufacturing Company, repair to tapes.....	Morningside Park — Maintenance of.....		2 25
Cappa, C. A.....	Music.....		455 00
Conterno Luciano.....	Music.....		165 00
Coffin, Paul C., scythe stones, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$42 70	
	Care of New Parks North of Harlem River.....	2 40	
			45 10
East River Mill and Lumber Company, The, spruce.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$81 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	27 00	
			108 00
Hell Gate Oil Works, oil.....	Harlem River Bridges — Repairs and Supplies.....	\$22 75	
	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	5 05	
			27 80
Heylman, Charles, feed, etc.....	Care of New Park North of Harlem River.....		30 45
Hodgman Rubber Company, horse cover..	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		3 25
Milliken, James H., sawdust.....	Zoological Department.....		15 00
Page Woven Wire Fence Company, wire gates.....	Zoological Department.....		4 50
Ruhe, Louis, bird food.....	Zoological Department.....		68 00
Salamander Works, The, cement.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....		57 50
Shaw, Truman A., paints, etc.....	Care of New Parks North of Harlem River.....		23 50
Smith, Clifford E., canvass.	Police—Supplies and Repairs..		2 50
			<u>\$1,177 85</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Music.....	\$790 00	
Morningside Park—Improvement and Maintenance of.....	2 25	
Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	189 50	
Care and Maintenance of New Parks North of Harlem River.....	56 35	
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	29 50	
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	22 75	
Zoological Department.....	87 50	
		\$1,177 85

Amounting to the sum of one thousand one hundred and seventy-seven dollars and eighty-five cents.

A. GALLUP, }
 N. STRAUS, } Auditing
 A. B. TAPPEN, } Committee.

NEW YORK, September 30, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the Secretary was directed to communicate with the Supervisor of the Town of Pelham, in relation to the maintenance of the City Island Bridge.

On motion, at 1.15 P. M. the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, October 7, at 10 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1891—ADJURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

The minutes of the meetings of August 26 and September 9 and 23 were read and approved.

A Committee of Park Policemen appeared before the Board, and requested that the Board reconsider the proposed item of \$315,000 for Police Salaries in the estimate for the coming year, and that an amount be substituted sufficient to pay the force the rates as now established, and the additional sum of \$50 each for uniforms.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the item of Police Salaries in the Departmental Estimate for the year 1892 was fixed at \$340,600, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The following communications were received :

From the Chief Clerk of the Police Department, in the relation to the detailment of officers at Van Cortlandt Park on Thursday, 8th instant. Filed.

From the Secretary of the New York Citizens' Alliance, inclosing a copy of a preamble and resolution protesting against the occupation of Battery Park by the elevated railroad. Filed.

From the President of the New York Athletic Club, applying for permission for the members of said club to practise foot-ball on the lower ball ground in said park. Denied.

From the Trustees of the American Museum of Natural History, inclosing an estimate for constructing four cases.

On motion, an order was authorized to be issued to W. D. McKenzie for doing the work at an expense not to exceed \$860, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Dana then retired.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Whereas, It is represented that certain band masters in the service of the Department exact from their musicians sums of money for the use of uniforms ; and,

Whereas, It has always been the practice of this Department to encourage the regular scale of pay fixed by the musicians ; therefore,

Resolved, That no band master shall be hereafter engaged by this Department to furnish music in the various parks of this City who shall not pay regular prices, without deduction therefrom for the use of any uniform.

Which were adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

At the hour of eleven o'clock, Mr. E. G. Marsh, representing 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 advertisements duly published in the CITY RECORD for the construction of a bridge over the Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, to take the place of the existing McComb's Dam Bridge and in connection with the Viaduct now building on said street.

Table of Bids.

ITEMS	ESTIMATED QUANTITIES.	1		2		3	
		PASSAIC ROLLING MILL COMPANY.		UNION BRIDGE CO.		PENNSYLVANIA STEEL COMPANY.	
		Price.	Amount	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1. For dredging at Pier I., and for crib-fenders, measured in scows, per cubic yard, the sum of.....	7,400 cu. yds.	\$1 75	\$12,950 00	\$2 98	\$14,652 00	\$1 75	\$12,950 00
2. For steel pneumatic caissons, complete in place for Piers I. and II., and including excavation of all kinds not otherwise provided for, concrete filling and masonry up to mean low water, the volume of material to be paid for being computed by area of caisson multiplied by distance from cutting edge to mean low water, per cubic yard the sum of.....	4,289 "	40 00	171,560 00	29 12	124,895 68	37 00	158,693 00
3. For coffer dam and excavation for Pier III., including pumping, freezing and masonry up to mean low water, together with the refilling, the volume of material to be paid for being measured by inside area of sheeting multiplied by average depth of dam from mean low water, per cubic yard, the sum of.....	2,225 "	20 00	44,500 00	16 17	35,978 25	19 00	42,275 00
4. For land pier excavations within area of sheeting, together with refilling, per cubic yard, the sum of.....	1,800 "	1 00	1,800 00	2 26	4,068 00	1 50	2,700 00
5. For piling of land piers, driven and cut off in place, piles forty feet or under when cut off for caps, per pile, the sum of.....	200 "	8 00	1,600 00	8 64	1,728 00	8 00	1,600 00
6. For piling of land piers, driven and cut off in place, piles forty to sixty feet when cut off for caps, per pile, the sum of.....	600 "	12 00	7,200 00	12 36	7,416 00	13 00	7,800 00
7. For yellow pine timber in grillages of land piers, per M. feet, B. M., including iron, the sum of.....	86,000 ft. B. M.	45 00	3,870 00	36 67	3,153 62	45 00	3,870 00
8. For crib-fenders stoned complete in place, and including the square timbered work above low water, per cubic foot, the sum of.....	582,540 cu. ft.	06 1/4	36,408 75	06 1/10	37,923 35	06 1/2	37,865 10
9. For yellow pine timber sheathing of fenders, and all timber bracing and planking, including iron and bolts of all kinds, per M. feet, the sum of.....	130,000 ft. B. M.	45 00	5,850 00	40 78	5,301 40	45 00	5,850 00
10. For all masonry, Piers I. and III., from mean low water to base of watchmen's houses, per cubic yard, the sum of.....	2,500 cu. yds.	25 50	63,750 00	21 33	53,325 00	24 50	61,250 00
11. For all masonry, Pier II., from mean low water, per cubic yard, the sum of.....	1,000 "	24 50	24,500 00	19 06	19,060 00	23 00	23,000 00
12. For all masonry, Piers IV., V., VI. and VII., from surface of platform to top of coping, per cubic yard, the sum of.....	3,450 "	26 25	90,562 50	22 37	77,176 50	26 50	91,425 00
13. For end pedestals above coping, including stone newels, Piers IV., V., VI. and VII., per cubic foot, the sum of.....	2,800 cu. ft.	2 00	5,600 00	2 30	6,440 00	2 25	6,300 00
14. For all exposed dressed surfaces, mouldings, copings, weatherings, arrises, bridge seat stones, etc. (but not including work in pedestals and newels covered in price per cubic foot for same), per square foot, the sum of.....	17,000 sq. ft.	89	15,130 00	86	14,620 00	90	15,300 00
15. For watchmen's houses on ends of Piers I. and III., complete, for each house, the lump sum of.....	4	1,650 00	6,600 00	1,785 00	7,140 00	1,700 00	6,800 00

Table of Bids.

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ITEMS.	ESTIMATED QUANTITIES.	4		5		6	
		HART, ANDERSON & BARR.		KING IRON BRIDGE AND MANUFACTURING CO.		THE DRAKE & STRATTON CO., LIMITED.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1. For dredging at Pier I., and for crib-fenders, measured in scows, per cubic yard, the sum of.....	7,400 cu. yds.	\$0 50.	\$3,700 00	\$1 75	\$12,950 00	\$1 00	\$7,400 00
2. For steel pneumatic caissons, complete in place for Piers I. and II., and including excavation of all kinds not otherwise provided for, concrete and masonry up to mean low water, the volume of material to be paid for being computed by area of caisson multiplied by distance from cutting edge to mean low water, per cubic yard, the sum of.....	4,289 "	40 00	171,500 00	39 00	167,271 00	27 50	117,947 50
3. For coffer dam and excavation for Pier III., including pumping, freezing and masonry up to mean low water, together with the refilling, the volume of material to be paid for being measured by inside area of sheeting multiplied by average depth of dam from mean low water, per cubic yard, the sum of.....	2,225 "	25 00	55,625 00	25 00	55,625 00	25 00	55,625 00
4. For land pier excavations within area of sheeting, together with refilling, per cubic yard, the sum of.....	1,800 "	3 00	5,400 00	3 00	5,400 00	10 50	18,900 00
5. For piling of land piers, driven and cut off in place, piles forty feet or under when cut off for caps, per pile, the sum of.....	200 "	7 00	1,400 00	11 00	2,200 00	12 50	2,500 00
6. For piling of land piers, driven and cut off in place, piles forty to sixty feet when cut off for caps, per pile, the sum of.....	600 "	8 00	4,800 00	13 00	7,800 00	15 00	9,000 00
7. For yellow pine timber in grillages of land piers, per M. feet, B. M., including iron, the sum of.....	86,000 ft. B. M.	40 00	3,440 00	45 00	3,870 00	45 00	3,870 00
8. For crib-fenders stoned complete in place, and including the square timbered work above low water, per cubic foot, the sum of.....	582,540 cu. ft.	04	23,301 60	07	40,777 80	17½	101,944 50
9. For yellow pine timber sheathing of fenders, and all timber bracing and planking, including iron and bolts of all kinds, per M. feet, the sum of.....	130,000 ft. B. M.	40 00	5,200 00	45 00	5,850 00	45 00	5,850 00
10. For all masonry, Piers I. and III., from mean low water to base of watchmen's houses, per cubic yard, the sum of.....	2,500 cu. yds	26 00	65,000 00	24 00	60,000 00	30 00	75,000 00
11. For all masonry, Pier II., from mean low water, per cubic yard, the sum of.....	1,000 "	16 00	16,000 00	24 00	24,000 00	25 00	25,000 00
12. For all masonry, Piers IV., V., VI. and VII., from surface of platform to top of coping, per cubic yard, the sum of.....	3,450 "	28 00	96,600 00	29 50	101,775 00	27 50	94,875 00
13. For end pedestals above coping, including stone newels, Piers IV., V., VI. and VII., per cubic foot, the sum of.....	2,800 cu. ft.	2 50	7,000 00	2 25	6,300 00	3 00	8,400 00
14. For all exposed dressed surfaces, mouldings, copings, weathersings, arrises, bridge seat stones, etc. (but not including work in pedestals and newels covered in price per cubic foot for same), per square foot, the sum of.....	17,000 sq. ft.	2 00	34,000 00	1 00	17,000 00	1 00	17,000 00
15. For watchmen's houses on ends of Piers I. and III., complete, for each house, the lump sum of.....	4	1,500 00	6,000 00	1,500 00	6,000 00	1,300 00	7,200 00

Table of Bids.

ITEMS.	ESTIMATED QUANTITIES.	1		2		3	
		PASSAIC ROLLING MILL COMPANY.		UNION BRIDGE CO.		PENNSYLVANIA STEEL COMPANY.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
16. For all steel and iron in draw span, excluding rail-box and cornice, per pound, the sum of.....	2,419,000 lbs.	\$0 04 ⁸ / ₁₀₀	\$120,708 10	\$0 04 ⁸ / ₁₀₀	\$117,321 50	\$0 05 ¹ / ₁₀₀	\$122,159 50
17. For all steel and iron in turn-table and girder-work below bottom chords of main trusses, including vertical shafts with lower pinion only attached thereto with rack, per pound, the sum of.....	750,000 "	06 ¹ / ₂	48,750 00	06 ⁸ / ₁₀₀	49,500 00	08 ³ / ₁₀₀	61,500 00
18. For all steel and iron work in fixed spans, excluding rail-box and cornice, per pound, the sum of.....	1,350,000 "	04 ⁸ / ₁₀₀	65,522 00	04 ² / ₁₀₀	57,800 00	04 ⁸ / ₁₀₀	62,560 00
19. For all ornamental work as specified, the lump sum of.....	.....	2,000 00	2,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	2,245 00	2,245 00
20. For machinery of draw span complete, including engines, boiler, water-tank, hydraulic rams and operating plant, horizontal shafting, beveled gears, hand gears, steam and hydraulic brakes, adjustable wall bearings on rest piers, capstan heads for hand-tuning, with levers, end locks, etc., etc., the lump sum of.....	.....	16,500 00	16,500 00	14,800 00	14,800 00	14,950 00	14,950 00
21. For flooring, casing and fitting up engine-room complete, with coal bin, stairways, work-bench, and all conveniences specified, the lump sum of.....	.....	2,500 00	2,500 00	2,250 00	2,250 00	2,250 00	2,250 00
22. For railing, with intermediate newel posts, and including rail-box and cornice on draw span, per lineal foot, the sum of.....	824 lin. ft.	24 00	19,776 00	25 00	20,600 00	21 50	17,716 00
23. For railing, with intermediate newel posts, and including rail box and cornice of fixed spans, per lineal foot, the sum of.....	630 "	14 00	8,820 00	15 00	9,450 00	15 62	9,810 60
24. For single light lamps on draw span, with posts or brackets for each lamp, the sum of.....	64	30 00	1,920 00	25 00	1,600 00	55 00	3,520 00
25. For cluster lamps, posts and lamps, each, the sum of.....	8	275 00	2,200 00	250 00	2,000 00	125 00	1,000 00
26. For asphalt sidewalk, per square yard, the sum of.....	1,690 sq. yds.	4 25	7,182 50	3 95	6,675 50	4 35	7,351 50
27. For asphalt roadway, per square yard, the sum of.....	3,300 "	6 20	20,460 00	5 65	18,645 00	6 25	20,625 00
28. For cast-iron gratings over chord space of draw span, per pound, the sum of.....	25,500 lbs.	05	1,275 00	04	1,020 00	05 ¹ / ₁₀₀	1,326 00
29. For gas-pipe main, through rail-box, including branches, connections, drips, and storage tank on draw span, per lineal foot, the sum of.....	1,500 lin. ft.	1 75	2,625 00	1 00	1,500 00	1 55	2,325 00
30. For an entire coat of paint, if required, the lump sum of.....	.....	2,500 00	2,500 00	2,000 00	2,000 00	4,500 00	4,500 00
31. For removing present Central or Macomb's Dam Bridge, with maintenance of travel, the lump sum of.....	.....	3,500 00	3,500 00	5,000 00	5,000 00	4,000 00	4,000 00
The time stipulated for the completion of the whole work, according to the specifications, is five hundred consecutive working days.	Amount.....	\$818,149 85	\$724,039 80	\$815,546 70

Table of Bids.

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ITEMS.	ESTIMATED QUANTITIES.	4		5		6	
		HART, ANDERSON & BARR.		KING IRON BRIDGE AND MANUFACTURING CO.		THE DRAKE & STRATTON CO., LIMITED.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
16. For all steel and iron in draw span, excluding rail-box and cornice, per pound, the sum of.....	2,419,000 lbs.	\$0 04 ³ / ₁₀	\$104,017 00	\$0 05 ¹ / ₁₀	\$123,369 00	\$0 05 ⁸ / ₁₀	\$144,172 40
17. For all steel and iron in turn-table and girder-work below bottom chords of main trusses, including vertical shafts with lower pinion only attached thereto, with rack, per pound, the sum of.....	750,000 "	06 ⁷ / ₁₀	50,250 00	06 ¹ / ₁₀	45,750 00	10 ⁵ / ₁₀	78,825 00
18. For all steel and iron work in fixed spans, excluding rail-box and cornice, per pound, the sum of.....	1,360,000 "	04 ⁸ / ₁₀	54,808 00	04 ⁸ / ₁₀	65,280 00	04 ⁸ / ₁₀	63,512 00
19. For all ornamental work as specified, the lump sum of.....	.....	1,500 00	1,500 00	2,500 00	2,500 00	2,245 00	2,245 00
20. For machinery of draw span complete, including engines, boiler, water-tank, hydraulic rams and operating plant, horizontal shafting, beveled gears, hand gears, steam and hydraulic brakes, adjustable wall bearings on rest piers, capstan beads for hand-turning, with levers, end l cks, etc., etc., the lump sum of.....	.....	16,000 00	16,000 00	16,000 00	16,000 00	14,800 00	14,800 00
21. For flooring, casing and fitting up engine-room complete, with coal bin, stairways, work-bench, and all conveniences specified, the lump sum of.....	.....	2,250 00	2,250 00	2,500 00	2,500 00	2,500 00	2,500 00
22. For railing, with intermediate newel posts, and including rail-box and cornice on draw span, per lineal foot, the sum of.....	824 lin. ft.	25 00	20,600 00	21 50	17,716 00	21 50	17,716 00
23. For railing with intermediate newel posts, and including rail-box and cornice of fixed spans, per lineal foot, the sum of.....	6 30 "	14 00	8,820 00	15 62	9,840 60	15 62	9,840 60
24. For single light lamps on draw span, with posts or brackets for each lamp, the sum of.....	64	30 00	1,920 00	55 00	3,520 00	55 00	3,520 00
25. For cluster lamps, posts and lamps, each, the sum of.....	8	300 00	2,400 00	125 00	1,000 00	125 00	1,000 00
26. For asphalt sidewalk, per square yard, the sum of.....	1,690 sq. yds.	3 50	5,915 00	4 25	7,182 50	3 95	6,675 50
27. For asphalt roadway, per square yard, the sum of.....	3,300 "	4 00	13,200 00	6 15	20,295 00	5 65	18,645 00
28. For cast-iron gratings over chord space of draw span, per pound, the sum of.....	25,500 lbs.	03	765 00	04	1,020 00	04	1,020 00
29. For gas-pipe main, through rail-box, including branches, connections, drips, and storage tank on draw span, per lineal foot, the sum of..	1,500 lin. ft.	50	750 00	1 55	2,325 00	1 55	2,325 00
30. For an entire coat of paint, if required, the lump sum of.....	.....	2,500 00	2,500 00	3,000 00	3,000 00	1,700 00	1,700 00
31. For removing present Central or Macomb's Dam Bridge, with maintenance of travel, the lump sum of.....	.....	6,000 00	6,000 00	4,000 00	4,000 00	6,000 00	6,000 00
The time stipulated for the completion of the whole work, according to the specifications, is five hundred consecutive working days.	Amount.....	.....	\$790,721 60	.....	\$842,116 90	.....	\$925,008 50

John M. Tierney and a committee of property-owners in the vicinity of Highbridge appeared, and asked that approaches be erected to the foot-ways of the New York and Northern Railroad Company's bridge over Harlem river at Eighth Avenue.

The President stated that he would confer with the said Company, and, if possible, secure permission to build a temporary structure over the Company's land, and, if that should fail, the matter would be brought before the Board of Street Opening and Improvement to take condemnation proceedings.

The President 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 :

Coffin, Paul C., oilers.....	Harlem River Bridges—Re-		
	pairs and Supplies.....	\$1 00	
	Labor Maint.—General Maint.	50	
		<hr/>	\$1 50
Colwell Lead Co., lead pipe, etc.....	Zoological Department.....	15	
	Labor Maint.—General Maint.	5 11	
		<hr/>	5 26
Fournier, A., cutting grass, etc.....	New Parks north of Harlem		
	river—Care of.....		75 00
Heylman, Charles, feed.....	New Parks north of Harlem		
	river—Care of.....		34 08
Keuffel & Esser Co., tracing cloth.....	Labor Maint.—General Maint.		16 80
Leiboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band, music.....	Music.....		165 00
Lynch, Edward N., grading Crotona Parks.....	New Parks north of Harlem		
	river—Care of.....		500 00
McCloskey, Charles, repairs to stables.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		160 00
N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., The, gas.....	Labor Maint.—General Maint.		44 25
O'Keefe, William, cutting grass, etc.....	New Parks north of Harlem		
	river—Care of.....		93 00
Thorburn, James M. & Co., seed.....	Zoological Department.....		7 50
			<hr/>
			\$1,102 39

RECAPITULATION.

Labor Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$66 66
Zoological Department.....	7 65
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	1 00
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	160 00
New Parks north of Harlem river—Care and Maintenance.....	702 08
Music.....	165 00
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	\$1,102 39

Amounting to the sum of one thousand one hundred and two dollars and thirty-nine cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, October 7, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioner Gallup, Straus, Tappen—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 :

Cady, J. C. & Co., professional service.....	Am. Museum Natural History.		
	Enlargement of, Laws 1887....	\$434 15	
	“ “ 1889....	1,066 08	\$1,500 23
Mansfield, William, Estimate No. 1.....	Central Park, Construction of		
	Bridge No. 26.....		2,649 15
			<u>\$4,149 38</u>

RECAPITULATION.

American Museum Natural History—Enlargement of, Laws 1887.....	\$434 15	
American Museum Natural History—Enlargement of, Laws 1889	1,066 08	
Central Park—Construction of Bridge No. 26	2,649 15	\$4,149 38
		<u><u>\$4,149 38</u></u>

Amounting to the sum of of four thousand one hundred and forty-nine dollars and thirty-eight cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, October 7, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—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 :

Mason, F. H. D.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main-		
	tenance.....	\$119 13	
Petty disbursements, September, 1891.....	Care of New Parks, north of		
	Harlem river.....	135 50	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs .	29 25	
	Zoological Department.....	41 54	
			<u>\$325 42</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$119 13
Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem river.....	135 50
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	29 25
Zoological Department.....	41 54
	\$325 42

Amounting to the sum of three hundred and twenty-five dollars and forty-two cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, October 7, 1891.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, on motion, the same was approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

The Secretary submitted a statement of moneys received and deposited in the City Treasury during the month of September, which was ordered entered upon the minutes, as follows :

Statement of Moneys Deposited in the City Treasury during the Month of September, 1891.

1891.		LICENSES.
Sept. 1.	John T. Jordan.....	\$30 82
"	2. Henry Castrop.....	31 15
"	4. C. H. Schultz.....	28 56
"	4. O. H. Riker.....	25 00
"	4. E. S. Stokes.....	443 02
"	5. W. H. Radford.....	967 45
"	5. Isidor Isaac (carrousel).....	92 95
"	5. " (goat carriages).....	16 93
"	8. Dennis F. Cray.....	30 37
"	8. R. M. Watson.....	13 32
"	9. William Ward.....	23 00
"	10. Max L. Jacobs.....	18 15
"	12. John Lucas.....	11 66
"	15. August Laurence.....	9 30
"	15. ".....	8 65
"	17. Charles Schwarz.....	82 80
"	17. Gabriel Case.....	658 10
"	25. A. H. Dolliver.....	250 00
"	29. Matilda Ryan.....	400 00
		\$3,141 23

SPECIAL FUND REPAVING.

1891.

Sept. 2. Thomas Kirkwood.....		\$20 00
	POUND.	
Sept. 18. Property Clerk.....		11 00
	GRASS.	
Sept. 18. Property Clerk.....		2 00
	SUNDRY RECEIPTS.	
Sept. 18. Property Clerk, sale of fruit.....		5 00
	RENTS.	
Sept. 1. Andrew Bridgeman.....	\$30 00	
“ 1. George A. Adee.....	41 66	
“ 1. Thomas Byrnes.....	10 00	
“ 1. James E. Connor.....	40 00	
“ 1. D. N. Caruthers.....	50 00	
“ 1. George E. Tytler.....	20 00	
“ 2. S. E. Marshall.....	100 00	
“ 2. Bronx Bleaching Company.....	100 00	
“ 4. Abram Skedgell.....	4 00	
“ 4. John Livingston.....	10 00	
“ 8. R. M. Watson.....	25 00	
“ 8. R. N. Armour.....	12 00	
“ 8. A. J. Woods.....	8 00	
“ 8. Mrs. M. J. Doyle.....	10 00	
“ 10. J. W. Monroe.....	150 00	
“ 15. Mary Thomas.....	10 00	
		620 66
Total.....		\$3,799 89

Commissoner Tappen submitted a draft of a letter to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, requesting favorable action upon the application made by this Department for permission to expend the sum of \$10,000 appropriated for building a dock at Pelham upon the work of maintenance of the New Parks north of Harlem river, which was approved and ordered transmitted to said Board.

On motion, at 12.20 P.M. the Board adjourned to meet October 14, at 10 A.M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1891—SPECIAL MEETING—10 A. M.

Pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
October 10, 1891.

Mr. CHARLES DE F. BURNS, *Secretary* :

SIR—You will please issue notices for a meeting of the Board to be held on Tuesday next, 20th inst., at 10 o'clock A. M., to consider a proposed transfer of appropriation to New Parks, and to authorize the return of security deposits to bidders for contract to construct a bridge over Harlem river.

Respectfully,

A. GALLUP, President D. P. P.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Tappen.

The following communications were received:

From the Public Hack Owners' Association, asking permission to occupy the south side of Twenty-sixth street from Fifth avenue to Madison avenue.

A committee from said association appeared and were heard.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the permission asked for by said association was granted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From the Captain of Police, stating that the cost of putting up a partition, etc., to enlarge the sub-station at Union square had been estimated at \$20.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the President was authorized to have the work done, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From the Tammany Hall General Committee of the First Assembly District, asking permission to hold a meeting and entertainment in Castle Garden, on the evening of the 22d instant.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, permission was granted as applied for by the following vote :

Ayes - Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting a copy of a resolution directing the issue of bonds for paying the awards and expenses of the proceedings for extending East River Park. Filed.

From the Comptroller, in relation to the expense of making a survey of land in front of which at Pelham Park this Department wishes to obtain riparian rights. Filed.

From the Secretary of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, advising the Department that the Trustees have decided to close the Museum from October 14 to November 3, for the purpose of cleaning and rearranging the collections. Filed.

From John Morrison, relative to a sale of buffaloes to take place at Oxford, Neb., on 17th inst. Filed.

From the Captain and the Surgeon of Police, reporting the death, on the 9th inst., of Park Policeman Peter F. Rafferty. Filed.

From the Captain of Police, reporting the death, on the 11th inst., of Doorman John A. Thompson. Filed.

From the Property Clerk, submitting an inventory of property of the Department, under date of June 30, 1891. Filed.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to transfer the sum of four thousand two hundred and twenty dollars and seventy-seven cents from the following appropriations for the current year for which the several amounts will not be required, viz. :

" Police Salaries ".....	\$2,000 00
" Resurfacing the Roadway of Fifth Avenue, from Ninetieth to One Hundred and Tenth Street ".....	206 89
" Surveys, Maps and Plans ".....	994 88
" Music ".....	13 00
" Settees and Tree Labels ".....	6 00
" Telephonic Service ".....	1,000 00
	\$4,220 77

—to the appropriation for " Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem River " for the current year, which is insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

On motion of Commissioner Straus, the Comptroller was requested to return the security deposits to the parties making proposals for constructing a bridge over Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, excepting the lowest bidder, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

A. P. Boller, Constructing Engineer, appeared and was heard in explanation of the plans for the proposed bridge over Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the question of awarding the contract for the erection of the Seventh Avenue Bridge to the lowest bidder be postponed until Wednesday, October 21, and that Commissioner Tappen be requested to confer with property-owners and real-estate experts, with a view to ascertaining what would be the cost of the land damage growing out of the construction of the approaches on the easterly side of Harlem river, and to report at the next meeting.

Resolved, That notice be given to all property-owners affected by the said construction to appear before this Board on Wednesday, 21st instant, at 10 o'clock A. M., to be heard in reference thereto.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following:

Resolved, That Commissioner Gallup be requested to confer with the Corporation Counsel, with a view of causing an agreement to be prepared with the property-owners on the easterly side of the Harlem river, to guarantee the cost of land damages in connection with the approaches to the Seventh Avenue Bridge to be within one hundred thousand dollars.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes--Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the Engineer in charge of the New Parks was directed to have any decayed or dangerous trees in Van Cortlandt and Crotona Parks cut down and removed.

The President, 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 :

Eben, Felix I.....	Music.....	\$850 00
Peirce, John, Estimate No. 4.....	Met. Museum of Art—Completing north extension.....	16,362 94
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		<u>\$17,212 94</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Music.....	\$850 00	
Metropolitan Museum of Art—Completion of north extension, Laws 1889.	16,362 94	
		<u>\$17,212 94</u>

Amounting to the sum of seventeen thousand two hundred and twelve dollars and ninety-four cents.

A. GALLUP, }
 N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
 A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, October 13, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 11.10 A. M. the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, 21st instant, at 10 o'clock A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, October 14, 1891.—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

A quorum not being present, no business was transacted.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

The Secretary submitted the following notice which had been published in the CITY RECORD :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
NOS. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET, }
October 13, 1891.

NOTICE.

Owners of property affected by the taking of land for the easterly approach to the proposed bridge over the Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street (to replace the old McComb's Dam Bridge) are requested to attend a hearing before the Board of Commissioners of Public Parks, on Wednesday, October 21, 1891, at 10 o'clock A. M., with reference to the value of the land to be taken for such purpose.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

Commissioner Tappen, to whom was referred the subject of the valuation of lands required for approaches to the proposed new bridge over Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, presented a report in relation thereto, and recommended that application be made to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for taking the lands without delay.

Messrs. A. P. Boller, Berkeley Mastyn and Fordham Morris appeared, and were heard in relation thereto.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Engineer be directed forthwith to prepare detailed specifications and form of contract for the construction of the remainder of the structure of the bridge and approaches, and to submit the same to the Board as soon as possible ; and it is further

Resolved, That the said Engineer be directed to forthwith prepare a map, for filing, of the lands necessary for the approaches of said bridge ; and also a rule map and technical description thereof, for the use of the Corporation Counsel.

Which were adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The following communications were received :

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting a copy of a resolution transferring the sum of \$4,220.77 made up from balances of several appropriations to the appropriation for the current year for "Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem river," etc. Filed.

From A. P. Boller, Constructing Engineer, respecting the approaches to the proposed new bridge over Harlem river. Filed.

From the Treasurer of the Washington Memorial Arch Committee, asking that an item be included in the departmental estimate for 1892, for granite posts around the Washington Arch in Washington Square.

Commissioner Straus offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to include in the estimate for this Department for the year 1892, an appropriation of two thousand five hundred dollars, for granite posts to be used in the plaza surrounding the Washington Arch in Washington Square.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Secretary of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, enclosing a sketch of a proposed work-shed to be erected temporarily near the Museum Building. Approved.

Commissioner Dana then retired.

From the Chairman of the Building Committee of the American Museum of Natural History, enclosing an estimate for building three cases in the hallway of the Enlargement of the Museum building.

On motion, an order was authorized to be issued to William D. McKenzie, for doing the work at an expense not to exceed \$820, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From E. L. Owen and John Theall, in relation to the management of the Casino restaurant in the Central Park, and recommending that the license therefor be given to Isidor Isaac. Filed.

From John J. Hopper, applying for an extension of time on his contract for erecting granite and blue-stone steps, platforms, etc., on Morningside Park.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the time for the completion of said contract was extended for three weeks from October 20. 1891, the contractor to pay the expense of inspection during such extension, by the following vote ;

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending an allowance of pay amounting to \$64.83 for overtime made by men and teams in watering drives, etc.

On motion of Commissioner Gallip, pay for overtime was allowed, as recommended by the Superintendent, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From the Engineer of Construction, submitting specifications for erecting a railing around small parks on Park avenue.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the specifications submitted by the Engineer were approved and ordered printed, and, when printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, the Secretary was directed to insert an advertisement in the CITY RECORD, inviting proposals for doing the work, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

The President presented a report of the transactions of the Department during the quarter ending June 30, 1891, which was ordered transmitted to his Honor the Mayor, and also printed as a document of the Board.

(See Document No. 122.)

The President presented the following report :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
Nos. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET. }

The President reports that :

In the matter of the footways across the New York and Northern Bridge I had a conference with the officers of the New York and Northern Railroad Company on October 20, and requested them to permit the erection of staircases over their own property to connect with said footways. In conjunction with the President of the Board of Aldermen I have made a report to the Board of Street Openings, which Board referred the whole subject to us for our consideration, dated October 21, 1891, of which a copy is contained in the Department files, advising that the whole subject be referred to the Corporation Counsel with instructions to take such action as may be proper. The grounds of the refusal by the railroad company were, first, that there would be great danger to the public in using the trestle, unless a high board fence were built separating the footpath of the trestle from the tracks ; second, that the liability of the company for accidents would be greatly increased without any consideration received ; third, that the trestles are not lighted, and some provision would have to be made for the lighting thereof ; fourth, that on the south side of the trestle at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street and Eighth avenue it is intended to have at an early date switches, in order to turn the trains from the trestle on to the property of the company, extending southward along the east side of Eighth avenue, where it is intended to establish a railroad yard. This would wholly prevent the use of the southerly footpath on either the bridge or the trestles, as it would not be safe for the public to be allowed to cross the tracks.

Concerning the acquisition of lands for the Seventh Avenue Bridge, I have written to the Corporation Counsel requesting him to prepare an agreement to be signed by property owners, establishing a maximum amount to be demanded for the lands in condemnation proceedings.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, Patrick Byrne was appointed a Doorman, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, permission was granted to John H. Keller to cut and remove ice from the Bronx river in Bronx Park during the coming season upon his paying to the Department the sum of two hundred dollars for the privilege, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

The Board then proceeded to consider the evidence taken in the trial of Park Policemen.

James D. Cotter, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

James L. Havey, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Alfred C. Newell, charged with being off post, was acquitted.

William H. Schultz, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

William H. Schultz, charged with being absent from roll-call, was excused.

George Edwards, charged with violation of rules and insubordination, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Wilson C. Fox, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty and with being absent from roll-call (two charges), was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

George Hall, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Thomas H. Armstrong, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty and cautioned.

William J. Capper, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Joseph F. Kirby, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Thomas J. Howard, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

John F. Mahoney, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Michael F. Tallon, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

John J. Cray, charged with being absent from roll-call and neglect of duty, was found guilty and cautioned.

William G. Lyons, charged with violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and dismissed from the force by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

James Livingston, charged with violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty and cautioned.

James Ryan, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined ten days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

The President 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 :

Abeel Brothers, iron, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$20 61	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	9 23	
		<hr/>	\$29 84
Arnold, D. P., meat.....	Zoological Department.....		234 00
Barrett, F. W., Southdown ram.....	Zoological Department.....		90 00
Barron, James S. & Co., brooms, etc.....	Zoological Department.....	\$24 25	
	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	116 05	
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Barron, James S. & Co., axle grease, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		\$18 50
Canda & Kane, brick, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		60 75
Consolidated Gas Company, gas.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$86 13	
	Zoological Department.	21 62	
	Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.	14 25	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	20 00	
		<hr/>	142 00
Curley, M., aprons.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		16 00
Decker, T. W. & Sons, milk	Zoological Department.		12 60
Doty, Thomas H. & Co., feed, etc.	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		21 02
Dunham, Thomas C., putty, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		100 45
East River Mill and Lumber Company, The, white wood.	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		1 50
Ellis, C. C. & Son, bread.	Zoological Department.		90 75
Fabric Fire Hose Company, hose.	Riverside Park and Avenue—Maintenance of.		14 00
Giffen & Loomes, professional services, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	183 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	221 00	
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Harmer, Hays & Co., snaffles, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		26 90
Hell Gate Oil Works, oil	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		36 90
Ingersoll, Horace, salt	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		2 50
Lanier, Charles, Treasurer, salaries, wages, etc.	Maint.—Museums.		2,245 91
Marvin Safe Company, safe	Am. Mus. Nat. History, Enlargement of.		315 00
Malone, P., horse-shoeing.	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		15 00
Mott, J. L., Iron Works, The, iron rails.	Care of New Parks, north Harlem river.		45 76
Mullin, P., horse-shoeing	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		15 00
Patterson Brothers, brass knobs, etc.	Zoological Department.		14 38
Smith, Clifford E., 25 yards net.	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		2 50

Strouse, L. K. & Co., copies of Consolidation

Act.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$12 00
Sury, P., insecticide, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	100 53
Thorn, T. and W. & Co., feed, etc.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	39 60
Thomas Seth Clock Company, clock.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	5 00
Tyndale, B. S., fish.....	Zoological Department.....	18 00
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		\$4,270 69

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$780 32
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	349 85
Zoological Department.....	505 60
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	14 25
Riverside Park and Avenue—Improvement and Maintenance of.....	14 00
Maintenance of Museums.....	2,245 91
Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem River.....	45 76
American Museum of Natural History—Enlargement of, Laws 1887.....	315 00
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	\$4,270 69

Amounting to the sum of four thousand two hundred and seventy dollars and sixty-nine cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, October 21, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—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 :

McKenzie, William D., wall cases.....	American Museum of Natural History, Enlargement of.....	\$860 00
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RECAPITULATION.

American Museum of Natural History, Enlargement of, Laws 1887.....	\$860 00
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Amounting to the sum of eight hundred and sixty dollars.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, October 21, 1891.

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The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, on motion, the same was approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 11.20 A. M., the Board adjourned to meet on the 28th instant, at 10 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

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BOARD

OF THE

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

OCTOBER 21, 1891.



The President presented a report of the transactions of the Department for the quarter ending June 30, 1891, which was ordered transmitted to his Honor the Mayor, and also printed as a document of the Board.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS,

Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Report for the Quarter ending June 30, 1891.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
NOS. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET, }
July 1, 1891. }

Hon. HUGH J. GRANT, Mayor :

SIR—Pursuant to the provisions of section 49 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, the Department of Public Parks hereby submits the following statement of its transactions during the three months ending June 30, 1891 :

The appointment of Hon. Abraham B. Tappen as a Commissioner of Public Parks in the place of the late Waldo Hutchins in April last and his subsequent reappointment is the only change in the Board of Parks during the quarter.

Assessment lists for the following-named works done in the annexed district and completed by this Department prior to January 1 last have been prepared and forwarded to the Board of Assessors, together with amounts and costs of the several works :

1. Constructing a sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, from Brook to St. Ann's avenue, etc.
2. Constructing a sewer and appurtenances on the east side of Lincoln avenue, between One Hundred and Thirty-sixth and One Hundred and Thirty-seventh streets.
3. Constructing a sewer in College avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-second and One Hundred and Forty-third streets.
4. Regulating and paving with trap blocks the carriageway of One Hundred and Sixty-sixth street, etc.
5. Constructing a sewer and appurtenances in East One Hundred and Fifty-first street, between Railroad avenue, East, and Courtlandt avenue.

Contracts have been entered into as follows :

1. For repairing and resurfacing the macadamized roadway and trap-block gutters of Fifth avenue, from Ninetieth to One Hundred and Tenth street. Charles H. Babcock, contractor; Matthew Baird and James Baird, sureties. The estimated cost of this work is \$9,560.

2. For regulating, grading and improving the public place or plaza at One Hundred and Tenth street and Fifth avenue. Joseph Moore, contractor ; John McQuade and George H. Toop, sureties. Estimated cost, \$16,935.80.

3. For furnishing fourteen wall, centre and pavilion cases for the enlargement of the American Museum of Natural History. B. & W. B. Smith, contractors ; Bartlett Smith and George Starr, sureties. Cost, \$23,510.48.

4. For furnishing thirty-three wall, pavilion and centre cases for the enlargement of the American Museum of Natural History. Longstaff & Hurd, contractors ; Theodore W. Morris and the American Surety Co., sureties. Cost, \$17,366.

5. For sixteen wall cases required for the enlargement of the American Museum of Natural History. D. S. Hess & Co., contractors ; William H. Stiner and M. S. Fechheimer, sureties. Cost, \$8,600.

The three last named contracts were made without public letting under authority given by resolution of the Common Council.

The consent of the Department has been given to the erections of projecting windows and other house projections on streets within a distance of 350 feet of a public park, as follows :

On the dwelling of Elizabeth B. Schley, at the southwest corner of Madison avenue and Sixty-eighth street, not to extend more than 4 feet beyond the building line.

On a building of J. & E. P. Baudet, at the southwest corner of One Hundred and Twenty-first street and Mount Morris avenue, the same not to project more than 32 inches beyond the house-line.

On buildings of Edward Kilpatrick, at the southeast corner of Ninety-eighth street and West End avenue, and at the northeast corner of said avenue and Ninety-seventh street, not to extend more than 34 inches beyond the building line.

On the dwelling of Horace Porter, at the southeast corner of Madison avenue and Fortieth street, not to extend more than 3 feet beyond the building line.

On a hotel building erected by Jacob Rothschild on Central Park, West, between Seventy-first and Seventy-second streets, not to project more than 18 inches beyond the house-line.

Pursuant to a petition presented on behalf of the Market Florists Association, permission has been given to flower merchants and plant growers to exhibit and sell potted plants and flowers on the north and east sides of Union Square during the early hours of the morning, not later than seven o'clock.

Permission to decorate the Grant Tomb in Riverside Park on Decoration Day and conduct memorial services was granted the U. S. Grant Post, G. A. R.

The Fire Department has been given permission to move one of the small sheds at Castle Garden to the northwest corner of the Battery Park for use by the Department in connection with its fire-boat, which, under a permit from the Comptroller, occupies a berth at that place. This is understood to be a temporary expedient until the Fire Department can obtain more suitable accommodations.

Permission has been granted the Department of Public Works to lay a 36-inch main through a portion of Highbridge Park, a distance of about 300 feet.

The German Society and the Irish Emigrant Society have been permitted to use the rotunda of Castle Garden until the first of September for the purposes of their free labor bureau.

The New York Harbor Tow-boat Company have been given the use of the dock at Castle Garden for their boats and barges engaged in landing emigrants, during the pleasure of this Department and subject to the approval of the Sinking Fund Commission, at such rental as may be fixed, the said company to make all repairs necessary, and to save the City harmless from any claims for accidents or damages.

The use of the Castle Garden building has been given for free concerts, to be paid for from a fund raised by the "Morning Journal" in subscriptions from private citizens.

The Gas Commission has been requested to provide electric lights for lighting the dock at Castle Garden and also Abingdon Square.

The Department having been petitioned to take steps to have vacated the injunction restraining the Park Commission from revoking the permit for the occupation of Battery Park by the elevated railroad, the matter has been considered and several public hearings have been given. It is still under consideration.

A request from this Department for the removal of the signs from the Battery Place Station of the elevated railway, the structure across Battery Park and the station at South Ferry, has been complied with.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment has been requested to make the following transfers of appropriations :

The sum of \$8,500 from unexpended balances of appropriations made for the year 1890, as follows :

Salaries	\$117 08
Police—Salaries.....	3,144 70
Zoological Department.....	1,000 00
Maintenance, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	4,238 22
Total.....	<u>\$8,500 00</u>

to the appropriation for "Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs," etc., for the current year, to be used for the purpose of repairing and resurfacing the "Plaza" and the "Circle," at Fifty-ninth street, Fifth and Eighth avenues.

The sum of \$20,000 from any unexpended balance or fund which may be available to the appropriation for the New Parks for the current year, to be applied to the immediate improvement, for public use and convenience, of certain portions of Bronx, Crotona and St. Mary's Parks.

The Counsel to the Corporation was requested to prepare a bill for presentation to the Legislature authorizing the issue of bonds or stock to the amount of \$125,000, for the improvement of Castle Garden as an Aquarium and Music Hall.

The consent of the Department has been given to the opening of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, to the public, on Sunday.

A rule has been made requiring all bicycles and tricycles using the parks at night to be provided with proper lights and bells.

The license held by John Lucas for the "Donkey Service" in the Central Park having expired, has been renewed. Mr. Lucas pays ten per cent. of his gross receipts for the privilege.

A license to sell soda and mineral waters at East River Park has been granted Max L. Jacoby, upon his agreeing to pay as license fee a sum equal to fifteen per cent. of his gross receipts.

The insurance on the park buildings known as McGown's Pass Tavern, Central Park, Claremont, Riverside Park and High Bridge Park Hotel, has been renewed.

A proposition to establish a children's playground in the Central Park has been given due consideration. The principal change necessary to carry out the idea as suggested would consist in stripping a section of the Park south of Transverse Road No. 1 and east of the Croquet ground, of its turf and substituting a bare surface of sand, or making barren a piece of greensward not intended for such a state, and brought to its present condition after great expenditure of money. The proposed plan was deemed an undesirable one for the Park from many points of view.

The flagging and curb on the north side of West Seventy-second street, extending one hundred feet east of Amsterdam avenue, being in broken and uneven condition, the Board of Aldermen has been requested to authorize the same to be put in proper condition.

Some weighing machines placed in the parks by the Automatic Weighing Machine Company in the year 1890 have been ordered taken out.

The Society for Instruction in First Aid to the Injured have offered badges to be given to such officers of the Park Police Force as have shown extraordinary aptitude and intelligence in treating accidents which have occurred on the parks.

GARDENING WORK.

A part of the gardening force has been engaged in setting out the summer bedding plants. 250,000 plants, propagated in the Department, were used in this work. 1,000 water lilies and other aquatics were set out in the lily-pond and in the various fountain basins in the Central and City Parks.

About 50 trees were planted out along Fifth avenue and Central Park to fill vacant spaces.

The weeding and cultivating of the nursery stock and the watering and cultivating of plants, shrubs and trees has kept the small force of gardeners fully employed, so that we were unable to do any pruning and planting of shrubs.

At the green-houses the force has been engaged in the care of bedding plants and attending to the watering and propagation of stock.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE.

On Central Park this work has consisted of the almost daily sprinkling of the drives, bridle roads, Fifth avenue, West Seventy-second street and three transverse roads.

The walks and basins have been cleaned from time to time, as necessary.

The lawns were regularly mowed. The long grass was hauled to the animals at the Menagerie or sold. The short grass was hauled to the dump, as were also hundreds of loads of refuse collected on the lawns and from sweepings.

At the triangles at junction of Boulevard and Ninth avenue, near Sixty-third street, and at junction of Boulevard and Tenth avenue, near Seventy-second street, the lawns were mowed, the walks swept and refuse removed. The lawns of the small parks on Park avenue were mowed and the refuse removed.

The cottages in the Central and City Parks have been kept open and in charge of attendants from 7 A. M. to 7 P. M.

About 120,000 children have enjoyed the use of the lawns for picnic purposes. The extra work incident to these picnics and the attendance upon the children has required considerable labor.

On the lower City Parks the work has been of a routine character, such as mowing lawns, cleaning walks, watching flower beds, etc.

The walks at Mount Morris Park have been regularly cleaned, the lawns mowed. Large numbers of children used the lawns during this quarter for picnics and games.

At Riverside Park the work has consisted of the cleaning, rolling, scraping and watering of the drives, mowing of the lawns, cleaning basins and repairing walks.

At Morningside Park the lawns and side hills were mowed and the grass removed to the compost heap at the upper end of the park. The basins were cleaned, washouts repaired and a few of the shrubs pruned and cut out.

The force on the New Parks north of the Harlem river has been engaged in the care of the roads and guarding property.

The force at the Eighty-fifth Street Stables has been engaged in cleaning and caring for the horses, harness and light wagons, and in repairing and making new parts of harness.

Owing to the small number of mechanical employees this class of work has been confined to attending to the most urgently necessary repairs of carpenter and painters' work, such as settees, rolling stock, cottages and buildings, erecting music stands at Mount Morris Park, repairing board walks, fences, etc. The painters have been engaged in glazing windows in cottages and buildings, painting settees, signs and rolling stock and stencilling music programmes. The masons have been engaged in generally pointing-up and repairing the stone-work of fountains, particularly the large fountain at City Hall Park, where a large piece of work was accomplished, and in generally repairing and rebuilding road and walk basins on the Central and City Parks and repairing and relaying flag walks.

The plumbers have been engaged in the repair of hydrants, street-washers and connections of water-closets and urinals in the Central Park and lower City Parks.

The balance of the mechanical force has been engaged in repairing iron work of rolling stock, tools, etc., the iron railings and urinals on the City Parks, in shoeing horses and in operating the bridges over the Harlem river.

CONSTRUCTION WORK.

Morningside Park.

Paving with rock asphalt and with concrete and mortar of Portland cement certain walks, platforms and esplanades in Morningside Park.

This work was commenced November 11, 1889; was suspended on account of frost in December, and resumed on April 15, 1890; continued until June 17, when it was abandoned by the contractor. It was resumed by the sureties on April 20, 1891, and the work contracted for was fully completed on May 6.

The work done during the quarter is :

23,044 square feet of asphalt walk laid.

The Erection of Granite and Blue-stone Steps, Platforms, etc., required on Morningside Park, at the Three Bays and Three Entrances adjoining the Avenue, on the Westerly Side of the Park, and the Entrance at One Hundred and Tenth Street and Manhattan Avenue.

A contract for the work was executed on July 15, 1890. Work was commenced August 11, 1890, and suspended on account of frost on December 12, and was resumed on April 15, 1891.

The work done and materials delivered during the quarter is :

- 386 cubic yards of rubble masonry built in walls for platforms and steps.
- 66 cubic yards of rock-faced ashlar in exterior walls.
- 20 cubic yards of dry-wall built to support rustic coping.
- 92 cubic yards of brickwork built in arches.
- 75 cubic yards of concrete put in place.
- 18 cubic yards of four-faced ashlar furnished and set.
- 17,500 pounds of iron beams furnished and set in bays.
- 800 cubic yards of earth filling furnished and put in place.
- 778 linear feet of blue-stone steps furnished and set.
- 3,000 cubic feet of granite work set in platforms, steps, cornices, etc.
- 150 linear feet of rustic coping set.

VAN CORTLANDT PARK.

Regulating, Grading, Draining and Improving the Southerly and Central Portion of the Grounds in Van Cortlandt Park, named and designated by Section 6, Chapter 522, of the Laws of 1884, for the purposes of a Military Parade, Camp, etc.

This work was done under contract dated May 7, 1890, was commenced May 15, 1890, and suspended on account of frost on December 24. Was resumed April 15, 1891, and fully completed on June 22.

The quantities of work done during the quarter is :

- 13,787 cubic yards of earth excavated.
- 25 cubic yards of rock excavated.
- 2,713 cubic yards of filling placed in embankment.

- 62 acres of ground finished and seeded.
- 575 linear feet of 2-inch and 3-inch drain tile laid.
- 144 linear feet of 4-inch drain tile laid.
- 1,134 feet B. M. of lumber laid in foundation.

MOUNT MORRIS PARK.

Constructing Foundation Walls for Enclosing Wall Around Mount Morris Park.

This work is being done under contract dated December 23, 1889, and was commenced April 15, 1890; was suspended for the season on December 6 and ordered to be resumed on April 15, 1891, but no work was done until May 19, from which date to the end of the quarter a few stones were dressed and laid; the quantity of masonry being so small has not been measured.

FIFTH AVENUE.

Repairing and Resurfacing the Macadamized Roadway and Trap-block Gutters of Fifth Avenue, from Ninetieth Street to One Hundred and Tenth Street.

The contract for this work was executed on June 9, and contractor notified to begin work on June 25.

The work done has been the cleaning and picking up of the old roadway for about two blocks.

HARLEM RIVER BRIDGES.

MADISON AVENUE BRIDGE.

The Construction of Wrought and Galvanized Iron Boiler and Engine-house over the Centre of the Draw-span of the Madison Avenue Bridge.

The contract for this work was executed on January 5, 1891.

The shop work having been all completed, at the request of the contractor notice was given him to begin the erection on March 23, and was prosecuted slowly until April 24, since which time nothing has been done.

But little work, except the removal of the lattice trusses and replacing one of the same, has been done.

Third Avenue and McComb's Dam Bridges.

No special repairs have been required or made during the quarter.

ENGINEER CORPS.

The present force consists of :

Engineer of Construction.....	1
Assistant Engineers.....	2
Assistant.....	1
Draughtsmen.....	2
Levellers.....	2
Axeman.....	6
Inspectors.....	2

CENTRAL PARK MANAGERIE.

The following donations have been received :

- April 2. 1 large alligator, presented by Mr. W. J. Florence, New York City.
 " 3. 4 horned toads, presented by Mr. F. Goodenough, New York City.
 " 4. 1 small alligator, presented by Mr. Henry E. Rhoades, United States Navy.
 " 7. 1 alligator, presented by Messrs. Stern Bros., New York City.
 " 9. 2 rabbits and 5 Guinea pigs, presented by Mrs. W. A. McBride, New York City.
 " 14. 1 golden eagle, presented by Messrs. A. & M. Robbins, New York City.
 " 14. 1 small alligator, presented by Mr. T. C. Stratton, New York City.
 " 15. 1 garter snake, presented by Mr. William Grady, New York City.
 " 16. 1 coati, presented by Miss A. F. Jett, Brooklyn.
 " 17. 1 small alligator, presented by Mr. Reginald Cauchois, New York City.
 " 20. 1 white heron, presented by Mr. Joseph P. Campazzi, Sheepshead Bay, Long Island.
 " 21. 1 coopers hawk, presented by Mr. Edward Fuller, Norwich, Conn.
 " 22. 1 troupial, presented by Mr. W. A. A. Gardner, New York City.
 " 23. 3 musk rats, presented by Mr. James Bothwell, New York City.
 " 24. 1 marmoset, 1 Guinea pig, presented by Dr. W. C. Deane, New York City.
 " 27. 1 gray wolf, presented by Mr. William Conrad, Brooklyn.
 " 29. 1 ocelot, presented by Mr. Ezra Marvin, New York City.
- May 11. 1 small alligator, presented by Mr. George Bradley, New York City.
 " 11. 1 gray squirrel, presented by Mr. William A. Papps, Yonkers, N. Y.
 " 12. 1 small alligator, presented by Mr. J. L. Pultz, Pine Wall, N. Y.
 " 15. 1 snowy owl, presented by Mrs. Charles Grolz, New York City.
 " 16. 1 peacock, presented by Mrs. B. Goldman, New York City.
 " 18. 1 opossum, presented by Mr. Thomas Brady, New York City.
 " 18. 1 canary, presented by Miss Mary Giery, New York City.
 " 19. 1 white pea-hen, presented by Mrs. Belle Woodrick, Jamaica, L. I.
 " 19. 1 small alligator, presented by Mr. Alfred W. Spear, New York City.
 " 19. 1 white rabbit, presented by Mrs. Fosdick, New York City.
 " 20. 1 ring-dove, presented by Master Rossi Fowler, New York City.
 " 25. 1 small alligator, presented by Master Bruce B. Ellison, New York City.
 " 26. 2 small alligators, presented by Miss Annie Eaton, New York City.
 " 27. 1 robin, presented by Mrs. S. B. Wilson, New York City.
- June 2. 1 black-bird, presented by Mr. P. Fitzgerald, New York City.
 " 2. 12 wild pigeons, presented by Messrs. A. & M. Robbins, New York City.
 " 3. 1 purple gallinule, presented by Miss G. L. Houghton, New York City.
 " 5. 1 white-fronted parrakeet, presented by Captain Raymond Rabadan, New York City.
 " 7. 1 ring-necked parrakeet, presented by Miss Nettie Stevens, New York City.
 " 16. 1 peacock, presented by Dr. Ludwig Weiss, New York City.
 " 17. 2 small alligators, presented by Dr. C. L. Andrews, New York City.
 " 23. 1 gray fox, presented by Mr. G. W. Miller, New York City.
 " 24. 1 small alligator, presented by Master Charles T. Hindley, New York City.

- June 24. 3 small alligators, presented by Mrs. John Cavanagh, New York City.
 " 27. 1 horned owl, presented by Mr. John Mustard, New York City.
 " 27. 2 small alligators, presented by Master Northrup Fowler, New York City.
 " 27. 1 English thrush, presented by Mr. Henri Guerin, New York City.
 " 28. 1 white-eared marmoset, presented by Mr. L. O. Schermkow, Jersey City, N. J.

In addition to the above, the collection was increased as follows :

Births.

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| 1 Sardinian mouflon. | 1 angora goat. |
| 2 aoudads. | 5 fallow deer. |
| 1 Wapiti deer. | 1 camel. |
| 1 Bennett's wallabey. | |

Purchased.

- 8 Indian pythons.

Received in Exchange.

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| 4 Bennett's wallabeys. | 3 Rhesus monkeys. |
| 1 pair barnicle geese. | 1 pair chestnut-backed pheasants. |
| 1 pair peacock pheasants | |

Placed on Exhibition.

New York Central and Hudson River Railroad—

- June 12. 24 sea lions.
 W. Bannister—
 June 16. 3 white swans.
 Miss K. Green—
 June 29. 1 Mexican parrot.

During the past three months the following animals were returned to their depositors :

- April 23. 1 brindled gnu ; deposited November 13, 1890.
 May 20. 1 monkey ; deposited October 30, 1890.
 " 25. 2 white pelicans ; deposited March 31, 1889.
 June 15. 1 elephant ; deposited February 1, 1888.
 " 18. 1 monkey ; deposited December 31, 1890.
 " 20. 2 sea lions ; deposited June 12, 1891.
 " 26. 10 sea lions ; deposited June 12, 1891.
 " 27. 1 elephant ; deposited February 1, 1888.

On the 30th of June 36 ram lambs were sold at auction.

Five new deer paddocks have been built, a new paddock for the goats and some necessary repairs made to the various buildings.

PARK POLICE.

The force consists of --

Captain	1
Surgeon	1
Sergeants	6
Roundsmen	13
Patrolmen	265
Clothing Inspector	1
Doormen	7
Ambulance Driver	1
Stablemen	6
Laborers	3
Total	<u>304</u>

Of this number, 4 Sergeants, 7 Roundsmen 1 of whom is mounted, 166 Patrolmen, including 18 mounted men, the Clothing Inspector, 5 Doormen, 4 Stablemen and 2 Laborers perform duty in the Central Park; 2 of the Doormen and 2 mounted men perform duty on Riverside Park; 1 Laborer does duty on Mount Morris Park as a Watchman; 1 of the Stablemen does duty at Van Cortlandt Park and 1 at Pelham Bay Park.

1 Sergeant, 5 Roundsmen and 80 Patrolmen perform duty on the various parks south of the Harlem river, and 1 Sergeant, 1 Roundsmen and 20 Patrolmen on the New Parks north of the Harlem river, as follows:

South of Harlem River—

1 Sergeant and 5 Roundsmen	6
High Bridge Park, Patrolmen	1
Mount Morris Park, "	4
Riverside Park, "	20
Morningside Park, "	6
East River Park, "	3
Bryant Park, "	3
Madison Square Park, "	4
Union Square Park, "	3
Stuyvesant Square Park, Patrolmen	3
Tompkins Square Park "	7
Washington Square Park, "	6
City Hall Park, "	6
Battery Park, "	7
Jeannette Park, "	1
Duane Street Park, "	1
Canal Street Park, "	2
Christopher Street Park, "	1

South of Harlem River—	
Abingdon Square Park, Patrolmen.....	1
Jackson Square Park, “	1
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Total force south of Harlem river, not including Central Park.....	86
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North of Harlem River—	
1 Sergeant and 1 Roundsman.....	2
Pelham Bay Park, Patrolmen.....	3
Van Cortlandt Park, “	5
Bronx River Park, “	5
Crotona Park, “	2
Claremont Park, “	2
St. Mary's Park, “	2
Cedar Park, “	1
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North of Harlem river	22
South of Harlem river, small parks.....	86
Central Park.....	196
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Total	304
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Arrests for April, 1891.

Assault—Discharged by Justice.....	1
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Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	2
“ “ 1 month “	1
“ “ 10 days “	2
“ “ 5 days “	3
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	3
“ “ 5 “	2
“ Discharged “	8
“ “ at Police Station.....	6
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Total	27
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Drunk and Disorderly—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	2
“ “ 1 month “	2
“ “ 5 days “	3
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	2
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Total.....	9
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Intoxication—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	1
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	4
“ “ 5 “	4
“ Discharged “	4
Total	<u>13</u>
Insanity—Committed to Charities and Correction by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Crime against Nature—Sentenced to State Prison for 5 years and 7 months by Judge.....	1
“ Held for trial by Judge.....	2
Total.....	<u>3</u>
Indecent Conduct—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	2
Total.....	<u>3</u>
Reckless Driving—Fined \$10 by Justice.....	3
“ Discharged at Police Station.....	4
Total.....	<u>7</u>
Larceny—Committed for 10 days by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	1
“ “ at Police Station.....	1
Total.....	<u>3</u>
Violation Park Ordinances—Fined \$5 by Justice.....	2
“ “ 1 “	4
“ Discharged by Justice.....	5
“ “ at Police Station.....	15
Total.....	<u>26</u>
Suspicious Person—Discharged at Police Station.....	5
Total.....	<u>5</u>
Males.....	94
Females.....	4
Total arrests for April.....	<u>98</u>

Arrests for May, 1891.

Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	2
“ “ 3 “	1
“ “ 1 “	1
“ “ to Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children by Justice.....	2
“ “ House of Mercy by Justice.....	1
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	7
“ “ 5 “	11
“ “ 2 “	2
“ “ 1 “	1
“ Discharged “	20
“ “ at Police Station.....	3
 Total.....	 <u>51</u>
 Drunk and Disorderly—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	 2
“ “ 2 “	1
“ “ 1 “	3
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	4
“ “ 5 “	6
“ Discharged “	3
 Total.....	 <u>19</u>
 Intoxication—Committed to Charities and Correction by Justice.....	 1
“ “ for 3 months by Justice.....	2
“ “ for 5 days “	2
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	3
“ “ 5 “	16
“ Discharged “	11
 Total.....	 <u>35</u>
 Violation of Park Ordinances—Committed to Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children by Justice.....	 3
Violation of Park Ordinances—Fined \$5 by Justice.....	3
“ “ “ 2 “	1
“ “ Discharged “	22
“ “ “ at Police Station.....	42
 Total.....	 <u>71</u>

Suspicious Persons—Discharged by Justice.....	3
“ “ at Police Station	7
Total.....	<u>10</u>
Insanity—Committed to Charities and Correction by Justice.....	<u>2</u>
Assault—Held for trial by Justice.....	1
“ Fined \$10 “	1
“ Discharged “	2
“ “ at Police Station.....	4
Total.....	<u>8</u>
Larceny—Sentenced to State Prison for 2½ years by Justice.....	1
“ Committed to Charities and Correction by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	1
Total.....	<u>3</u>
Interfering with an Officer—Discharged by Justice	<u>1</u>
Reckless Driving—Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	3
“ “ at Police Station.....	1
Total.....	<u>5</u>
Vagrancy—Committed for 4 months by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Indecent Exposure—Discharged by Justice	<u>1</u>
Picking Pockets—Committed to Juvenile Asylum by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	2
Total.....	<u>3</u>
False Pretenses—Discharged by Justice.....	<u>2</u>
Attempted Outrage—Discharged by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Males.....	191
Females.....	22
Total arrests for May.....	<u>213</u>

Arrests for June, 1891.

Abduction—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Assault—Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
“ “ 5 “	2
“ Discharged “	2
“ “ at Police Station.....	1
Total.....	<u>6</u>
Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ 3 months “	1
“ “ 10 days “	1
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	8
“ “ 5 “	2
“ “ 2 “	2
“ Discharged “	18
“ “ at Police Station.....	8
Total.....	<u>41</u>
Drunk and Disorderly—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	2
“ “ 3 months “	3
“ “ 1 month “	1
“ “ 10 days “	7
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	4
“ “ 5 “	8
“ Discharged “	8
Total.....	<u>33</u>
Intoxication—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	2
“ “ 1 month “	3
“ “ 10 days “	3
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	3
“ “ 5 “	6
“ Discharged “	8
Total.....	<u>25</u>
Violation Park Ordinances—Fined \$10 by Justice.....	2
“ “ 3 “	3
“ “ 2 “	9
“ “ 1 “	3

Violation Park Ordinances—Discharged by Justice.....	5
“ “ at Police Station.....	37
Total.....	<u>59</u>
Crime against Nature—Discharged by Justice.....	<u>2</u>
Indecent Exposure—Fined \$5 by Justice.....	2
“ Discharged “.....	1
Total.....	<u>3</u>
Indecent Assault—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	<u>1</u>
Insanity—Committed to Charities and Correction by Justice.....	<u>2</u>
Malicious Mischief—Discharged at Police Station.....	<u>2</u>
Picking Pockets—Discharged by Justice.....	<u>2</u>
Reckless Blasting—Discharged by Justice.....	<u>2</u>
Reckless Driving—Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
“ Held for trial by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged “.....	3
“ “ at Police Station.....	3
Total.....	<u>8</u>
Larceny—Held for trial by Justice.....	1
Total.....	<u>2</u>
Vagrancy—Committed to Charities and Correction by Justice.....	<u>2</u>
Suspicious Persons—Discharged by Justice.....	2
“ “ at Police Station.....	4
Total.....	<u>6</u>
Males.....	168
Females.....	30
Total arrests for June.....	<u>198</u>

Arrests for the Quarter.

Males.....	453
Females.....	56
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Total arrests for the quarter.....	509
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Runaways.

62 runaways have occurred on the drives and bridle paths in Central Park, 39 of which were caught by mounted policemen, 18 by policemen on foot, and 5 escaped from the Park.

Collisions.

26 collisions have taken place on the drives in Central Park.

Accidents.

33 accidents have occurred on the various parks during the quarter.

Sick and Injured Cared for.

64 persons have been found sick or injured in the various parks and sent to their homes or taken to hospital.

Officers Injured.

4 policemen were injured while on duty in the Central Park.

Horses and Wagons taken to the Park Stables.

24 horses, with wagons attached, were taken to the Park Stables.

Horses Taken to the Park Stables.

5 horses have been taken to the Park Stables.

Wagons Taken to the Park Stables.

16 wagons have been taken to the Park Stables.

Animals Impounded.

1 cow and 3 dogs have been found astray in Central Park and taken to the Park Pound.

14 horses and 29 cows have been found at large in the New Parks and taken to the Public Pound at Fordham.

Suicides.

6 men have committed suicide in the Central Park.

Dead Infants.

2 dead infants have been found in the Parks and taken to the Morgue.

Foundlings.

1 male child was found in Tompkins Square Park and taken to Police Headquarters.

Lost Children.

126 lost children were found in the various parks and restored to their friends or taken to Police Headquarters, 73 of whom were males and 53 females.

Lost Property.

59 articles of lost property were found by members of the force and delivered to the Property Clerk of the Department.

Concerts.

51 concerts have been given in the various parks during the quarter.

Recapitulation.

Force.....	304
Arrests.....	509
Runaways.....	62
Collisions.....	26
Accidents.....	33
Sick and injured cared for.....	64
Officers injured.....	4
Horses and wagons taken to Park stables.....	24
Horses taken to Park stables.....	5
Wagons taken to Park stables.....	16
Impounded animals.....	47
Suicides.....	6
Dead infants.....	2
Foundlings.....	1
Lost children.....	126
Lost property (articles).....	59
Concerts.....	51

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY.

Monthly tables have been printed for distribution to home and foreign observatories and libraries; weekly reports have been issued to the CITY RECORD and newspapers; weekly and hourly reports to the Health Department and meteorological information has been supplied to the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York and also law courts.

The annexed tables give an abstract of the mean, the maximum and minimum readings from the various self-recording instruments in this observatory; for the second quarter of the year 1891 and also comparisons with the observations for the same quarter for the past twenty years taken at this observatory:

BAROMETER (Reduced to Freezing).

April—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.	29.906	29.878
Mean for 2 P. M.	29.857	29.836
Mean for 9 P. M.	29.884	29.863
Mean for month.	29.877	29.859
Maximum for month at 9 A. M., 10th.	30.470	30.568 9 A. M., 8th, 1887.
Minimum for month at 4 A. M., 3d.	29.228	29.000 3 P. M., 2d, 1884.
May—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	29.941	29.898
Mean for 2 P. M.	29.905	29.863
Mean for 9 P. M.	29.939	29.879
Mean for month.	29.926	29.879
Maximum for month at 10 A. M., 20th.	30.374	30.431 9 A. M., 10th 1879.
Minimum for month at 1 A. M., 1st.	29.542	29.029 2 P. M., 2d, 1869.
June—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	29.899	29.889
Mean for 2 P. M.	29.856	29.863
Mean for 9 P. M.	29.869	29.871
Mean for month.	29.866	29.874
Maximum for month at 11 A. M., 6th.	30.132	30.452 12 M., 15th, 1884.
Minimum for month at 5 P. M., 22d.	29.638	29.300 2 P. M., 5th, 1885.
Quarter—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	29.915	29.888
Mean for 2 P. M.	29.873	29.854
Mean for 9 P. M.	29.897	29.871
Mean for quarter.	29.890	29.871
Maximum for quarter at 9 A. M., April 10th.	30.470	30.568 9 A. M., April 8th, 1887.
Minimum for quarter at 4 A. M., April 3d.	29.228	29.000 3 P. M., April 2d, 1884.

SUN THERMOMETER (Fahrenheit Degrees).

April—	1891.	For 12 years.
Greatest possible hours of sunshine.	382	382
Actual number of hours of sunshine.	236	233
Number of days in which no clouds passed over the sun.	8	5
May—		
Greatest possible hours of sunshine.	434	434
Actual number of hours of sunshine.	258	283
Number of days in which no clouds passed over the sun.	7	5

June—	1891.	For 12 years.
Greatest possible hours of sunshine.....	443	443
Actual number of hours of sunshine.....	306	311
Number of days in which no clouds passed over the sun.....	9	4
Quarter—		
Greatest possible hours of sunshine.....	420	420
Actual number of hours of sunshine.....	267	276
Number of days in which no clouds passed over the sun	8	5

THERMOMETER (Fahrenheit degrees) IN SHADE.

April—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.....	44.60	43.33
Mean for 2 P. M.....	56.00	53.18
Mean for 9 P. M.....	49.23	47.95
Mean for month.....	49.74	48.12
Maximum for month at 3 P. M., 19th.....	.80	84.07 3.15 P. M., 8th, 1871.
Minimum for month at 7 A. M., 5th.....	.29	20.00 9 P. M., 4th, 1874.
May—		
Mean for 7 A. M.....	52.84	55.68
Mean for 2 P. M.....	64.76	66.12
Mean for 9 P. M.....	57.39	59.98
Mean for month.....	57.77	60.51
Maximum for month at 4 P. M., 9th.....	.82	96.00 4 P. M., 27th, 1880.
Minimum for month at 5 A. M., 6th.....	.32	33.00 4 A. M., 3d, 1874.
June--		
Mean for 7 A. M.....	66.37	65.77
Mean for 2 P. M.....	78.03	75.86
Mean for 9 P. M.....	71.30	69.57
Mean for month.....	71.38	70.38
Maximum for month at 3 P. M., 16th.....	.97	98.00 4 P. M., 29th, 1874.
Minimum for month at 8 A. M., 7th.....	.54	47.00 5 A. M., 7th, 1879.
Quarter--		
Mean for 7 A. M.....	54.60	54.93
Mean for 2 P. M.....	66.26	65.05
Mean for 9 P. M.....	59.31	59.17
Mean for quarter.....	59.63	59.67
Maximum for quarter at 3 P. M., June 16th..	.97	98.00 4 P. M., June 29th, 1874.
Minimum for quarter at 7 A. M., April 5th..	.29	20.00 9 P. M., April 4th, 1874.

THERMOMETER (Wet Bulb) IN SHADE (Fahrenheit Degrees).

April—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.	41.47	39.82
Mean for 2 P. M.	48.93	45.76
Mean for 9 P. M.	45.90	43.35
Mean for month.	45.23	42.98
Maximum for month at 7 P. M., 18th.....	.69	.76 4.15 P. M., 8th, 1871.
Minimum for month at 7 A. M., 5th.....	.27	.19 9 P. M., 4th, 1874.
May—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	49.42	51.06
Mean for 2 P. M.	57.29	56.89
Mean for 9 P. M.	53.93	54.47
Mean for month.	53.13	54.12
Maximum for month at 5 P. M., 31st.....	.72	.80 4 P. M., 12th, 1881.
Minimum for month at 7 A. M., 5th.....	.31	.30 4 A. M., 3d, 1874.
June—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	61.10	61.21
Mean for 2 P. M.	68.13	66.26
Mean for 9 P. M.	65.86	64.00
Mean for month.....	64.72	63.81
Maximum for month at 5 P. M., 16th,.....	.83	.88 4 P. M., 24th, 1888.
Minimum for month at 8 A. M., 7th.....	.51	.45 5 A. M., 14th, 1875.
Quarter—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	50.66	50.70
Mean for 2 P. M.	58.12	56.30
Mean for 9 P. M.	53.23	53.94
Mean for quarter.....	54.36	53.64
Maximum for quarter at 5 P. M., June 16th..	.83	.88 4 P. M., June 24th, 1888.
Minimum for quarter at 7 A. M., April 5th...	.27	.19 9 P. M., April 4th, 1874.

RELATIVE HUMIDITY (Saturation 100).

April—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.	74	71
Mean for 2 P. M.	56	53
Mean for 9 P. M.	76	67
Mean for month.....	69	64
May—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	76	71
Mean for 2 P. M.	60	55
Mean for 9 P. M.	78	68
Mean for month.....	72	64

June—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.	72	76
Mean for 2 P. M.	58	58
Mean for 9 P. M.	73	73
Mean for month.	68	69
Quarter—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	74	73
Mean for 2 P. M.	58	55
Mean for 9 P. M.	76	69
Mean for quarter.	70	66

ELASTIC FORCE OF AQUEOUS VAPOR (Inch of Mercury).

April—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M. ....	.235	.208
Mean for 2 P. M. ....	.281	.224
Mean for 9 P. M. ....	.287	.233
Mean for month. ....	.268	.221
May—		
Mean for 7 A. M. ....	.321	.327
Mean for 2 P. M. ....	.389	.359
Mean for 9 P. M. ....	.383	.362
Mean for month. ....	.364	.349
June—		
Mean for 7 A. M. ....	.479	.490
Mean for 2 P. M. ....	.578	.528
Mean for 9 P. M. ....	.579	.533
Mean for month. ....	.545	.517
Quarter—		
Mean for 7 A. M. ....	.345	.342
Mean for 2 P. M. ....	.416	.370
Mean for 9 P. M. ....	.416	.376
Mean for quarter. ....	.392	.362

WIND.

April—	1891.	For 20 years.	
Prevailing direction.	WNW	NW.	
Velocity for months (in miles)	5,163.0	5,811.9	
Maximum velocity for day (in miles) on 3d.	314.0	545.0	2d, 1870.
Maximum force of wind (in pounds) during the month, at 10.10 A. M., 25th.	12.50	28.75	6 P. M., 21st, 1882.
May—			
Prevailing direction.	NW.	SE.	
Velocity for month (in miles)	4,972.0	4,869.3	
Maximum velocity for day (in miles) on 17th	281.0	579.0	2d, 1869.
Maximum force of wind (in pounds) during the month, at 10.50 P. M., 16th.	10.00	29.00	5.30 P. M., 8th, 1883.

June—	1891.	For 20 years.	
Prevailing direction.....	NW.	SE.	
Velocity for month (in miles).....	4,115.0	4,289.3	
Maximum velocity for day (in miles) on 27th	296.0	355.0	11th, 1870.
Maximum force of wind (in pounds) during the month, at 2.30 P. M., 17th.....	11.00	26.00	5.10 P. M., 13th, 1880.
Quarter—			
Prevailing direction.....	NW.	SE.	
Velocity for quarter (in miles).....	14,250.0	14,970.0	
Maximum velocity for day (in miles) on 3d of April.....	314.00	579.0	May 2d, 1869.
Maximum force of wind (in pounds) during the month, at 10.10 A. M., April 25th..	12.50	29.00	5.30 P. M., May 8th, 1883.

April—	RAIN.			1891.			For 20 years.		
Number of days on which rain descended.....				6			10		
				D.	H.	M.	D.	H.	M.
Duration.....	1			8	45		3	5	50
Depth of water in inches.....	2.38						3.18		

May—									
Number of days on which rain descended.....				8			10		
				D.	H.	M.	D.	H.	M.
Duration.....	1			13	30		2	12	14
Depth of water in inches.....	2.45						2.84		

June—									
Number of days on which rain descended.....				8			10		
				D.	H.	M.	D.	H.	M.
Duration.....	1			5	30		2	1	10
Depth of water in inches.....	1.48						3.40		

Quarter—									
Number of days on which rain descended.....				7			10		
				D.	H.	M.	D.	H.	M.
Duration.....	1			9	15		2	14	25
Depth of water in inches.....	2.10						3.14		

April—	OZONE.			1891.	For 11 years.		
Mean for month.....				2.50	2.30		
May—							
Mean for month.....				3.03	1.74		
June—							
Mean for month.....				2.40	1.73		
Quarter—							
Mean for quarter.....				2.64	1.92		

New Parks—Summary of Work Done

LOCATION.	VAN CORTLANDT PARK.		BRONX PARK.		PELHAM BAY PARK.	
	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.
Roads graded.....	113.7 c. y.	\$75 81	4,676 c. y.	\$1,608 23	787 c. y.	\$509 28
Roads trimmed and cleaned..	3,450 ft.	15 84	10,183 ft.	118 42	400 ft.	34 79
Walks graded.....	65 "	11 54	285 "	75 19	.....	.....
Walks trimmed and cleaned..	2,215 "	177 70	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gutters opened .....	.....	.....	10,941 ft.	172 83	2,640 ft.	36 96
Washouts and holes filled....	115 c. y.	77 00	.....	.....	12 c. y.	4 80
Open drain cleaned.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	133 c. y.	28 99
Stone drain repaired.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stone culverts built.....	.....	.....	30.8 c.y.	82 03	.....	.....
Timber culverts built.....	.....	.....	82 ft.	22 66	.....	.....
Plank walks repaired.....	10 ft.	1 76	.....	.....	.....	.....
Guard rails built.....	37 "	9 04	108 ft.	35 00	.....	.....
Guard rails repaired.....	51 "	11 64	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bridges—Repairs, etc.....	.....	.....	6	181 42	2	163 33
Draw-bridges—Attendance..	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	149 74
Retaining-walls built.....	3 c. y.	9 78	77.2 c.y.	150 29	6 c. y.	18 00
Trees cut and brush removed	.....	92 31	.....	123 21	.....	170 00
Fences repaired.....	916 ft.	14 03	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ponds drained.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ponds cleaned.....	4	21 56	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dam and mill-race repairs... {	{ Dam. } 9 c. y. }	41 12	{ Mill-race. } 155 ft. }	5 00	.....	.....
Weils covered.....	6	10 54	17	20 00	.....	.....
Back-house .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pumps, etc., set up and { repaired..... }	{ Leader. } 16 ft. }	15 52	.....	.....	2	20 00
Bath-houses set up.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	20 00
Sodding.....	.....	.....	20 sq. y.	5 28	.....	.....
Dead horse buried.....	.....	.....	4	10 28	.....	.....
Cleaning Bronx river .....	.....	.....	.....	15 28	.....	.....
Supplies, materials, etc.....	.....	.....	.....	217 10	.....	.....
Guarding property, etc.....	.....	321 30	.....	161 99	.....	412 75
Totals, maintenance, etc...	.....	\$906 54	.....	\$3,004 21	.....	\$1,573 64
ENGINEER CORPS.						
Surveys.....	2— 5,281 ft.	\$26 93	{ 6— 8,911 ft. 28 angles. }	\$187 80	4— 255 ft.	\$15 49
Maps.....	1— 1.3 sq. ft.	5 75	.....	.....	.....	.....

LOCATION.	PARKS SOUTH OF HARLEM RIVER.		NEW DOCK, PELHAM BAY.		MOSHOLU PARKWAY.	
	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.
Bath-houses set up.....
Sodding.....
Dead horse buried.....
Cleaning Bronx river....
Insurance—Premium } for year, \$1,380; proportion charge- } able against this } quarter, \$345 + } \$22.50 Skate-house, } Van Cortlandt.... }
Maintenance—Salary } of Engineer in } Charge..... }
Supplies, materials, etc..
Guarding property, etc..
Totals, mainte- } nance, etc.... }	\$128 74
ENGINEER CORPS.						
Surveys.....	2— 6,875 ft. } 36 angles. }	\$133 67	2— 2,655 ft.	\$141 30	2— 3,011 ft.	\$13 47
Soundings and Test Piles	{ 5 sets=514 s'ings and 17 test piles	29 80 173 ct	.....	.....
Maps.....	5— 33.1 sq. ft. }	53 94 16 66	{ 4— 25.7 sq. ft.	{ 34 52 105 54	.....	93 33
Blue Prints.....	4— 26.4 sq. ft.	7 83	1— 6.5 sq. ft.	2 08
Reports.....	{ 2— 7 sheets. } 5 duplicate. }	14 83
Miscellaneous.....	{ Surveys, maps and plans. *\$205 84 }	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total engineering..	\$410 11	.....	\$493 00	.....	\$123 71
Grand total, cost...	\$410 11	.....	\$493 00	.....	\$252 45

* This amount, \$205.84, is chargeable to the quarter ending March 31, 1901.

CROTONA PARKWAY.		SPUYTEN DUUVIL PARKWAY.		NEW PARKS—GENERAL.		TOTALS.	
Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.
.....	6	\$20 00
.....	20 sq. y.	5 28
.....	4	10 28
.....	15 28
.....	\$367 50	.....	367 50
.....	623 23	.....	623 23
.....	†463 00	.....	823 60
.....	78 00	.....	1,279 80
.....	\$56 46	.....	\$58 98	.....	\$1,531 73	.....	\$8,281 86
.....	{ 26— 40,857 ft. 78 angles. }	{ \$686 69
.....	{ 5 sets= 314 s'ings and 17 test piles }	{ 202 81
.....	1— 4.9 sq. ft.	6 25	.....	.....	18— 84.6 sq. ft.	358 74
.....	9— 49.7 sq. ft.	16 15
.....	{ 5— 11 sheets. 2 duplicate. }	\$84 94	{ 20— 89 sheets. 63 duplicate. }	{ 256 76
.....	391 69	.....	764 28
.....	\$6 25	.....	\$476 63	.....	\$2,285 43
.....	\$56 46	.....	\$65 23	.....	\$2,008 36	.....	\$10,567 29

† Of this amount, \$176.45 is chargeable to the quarter ending March 31, 1891

The average number of men employed in the various works of the Department during the quarter was as follows :

	APRIL.	MAY.	JUNE.
Officers and Clerks	17	17	17
Parkkeepers	209	307	303
Architect	1	1	1
Inspectors	1	2	2
Riverside Park and Avenue	20	22	30
Foremen, Mechanics, Laborers, etc.....	352	405	485
New Parks North of Harlem River.....	34	36	44
Totals.....	734	790	882

APPOINTED.

3 Foremen	Per mo.,	\$100 00
1 Draughtsman.....	"	120 00
1 Bridge Tender.....	Per year,	300 00
1 Axeman.....	Per mo.,	65 00
2 Cottage Laborers	"	45 00
1 Horseshoer.....	Per day,	3 00
1 Plumber	"	3 50
2 Inspectors.....	"	4 00
3 Drivers	"	2 00
9 Double Teams.....	"	4 50
5 Gardeners.....	"	2 00
2 Skilled Laborers	"	2 00
6 Cartmen	"	3 00
1 Laborer	"	2 00
87 Laborers.....	"	1 76

APPOINTED FOR THIRTY DAYS.

4 Gardeners	Per day,	\$2 00
1 Laborer	"	2 00
37 Laborers	"	1 76

OVERTIME ALLOWED.

7 Double Teams, Riverside Drive.....	Per day,	\$4 50
33 Drivers.....	"	2 00

CHANGE OF TITLE AND PAY.

1 Assistant Foreman	Per month,	\$75 00 ; to Foreman	Per month,	\$100 00
1 Axeman	Per year,	1,020 00 ; to Axeman	"	100 00
1 Assistant	"	1,140 00 ; to Assistant	"	100 00
1 Foreman	Per month,	125 00 ; to Foreman	"	150 00
2 "	"	100 00 ; to "	"	125 00
1 Mason	Per day,	3 50 ; to Mason	"	100 00
2 Parkkeepers	Per year,	1,050 00 ; to Parkkeepers	Per year,	1,150 00
1 "	"	1,150 00 ; to "	"	1,050 00
1 Wheelwright	Per day,	3 00 ; to Wheelwright	Per day,	3 50
1 Horseshoer	"	3 00 ; to Horseshoer	"	3 50
1 Laborer	"	75 ; to Laborer	"	1 25
1 "	"	1 76 ; to "	"	2 00
1 "	"	1 76 ; to Rockman	"	2 00
2 "	"	2 00 ; to Laborer	"	2 50
2 "	"	1 76 ; to Driver	"	2 00
41 Drivers	Per month,	55 00 ; to Drivers	"	2 00
1 Laborer	"	60 00 ; to Laborer	Per month,	55 00
1 "	Per day,	1 76 ; "	Per day,	2 50

RESTORED.

1 Steam Engineer	Per day,	\$3 00
2 Drivers	"	2 00
13 Laborers	"	1 76
2 Cottage Laborers	Per month,	45 00
1 Fireman	"	70 00

RESIGNED.

1 Bridge Tender	Per year,	\$300 00
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DROPPED.

1 Fireman	Per month,	\$70 00
3 Foremen	"	100 00
1 Laborer	"	67 50
1 Cottage Laborer	"	45 00
1 Laborer	"	60 00
1 Steam Engineer	"	90 00
2 Gardeners	Per day,	2 00
44 Laborers	"	1 76
1 Double Team	"	4 50
1 Driver	"	2 00

Horses and wagons cared for and animals impounded, also loads of grass sold for the quarter ending June 30, 1891 :

50 horses and wagons cared for.....	\$50 00
2 dogs impounded.....	4 00
1 cow impounded.....	2 00
133 loads of grass sold.....	133 00
	\$189 00

The following statement will show the number and character of permits issued during the quarter :

For openings for Croton connections.....	2
“ placing building materials on street.....	7
“ crossing sidewalk with teams.....	2
“ cutting down and removing trees (Van Cortlandt Park).....	3
“ riding velocipedes, tricycles, etc., in Parks.....	612
“ photographing and sketching.....	1,049
“ lawn tennis.....	1,449
“ croquet.....	1,620
“ riding bicycles.....	32
“ collecting insects.....	1
“ painting boats at Battery.....	3
“ using Ladies' Cottage at Union Square as Reviewing Stand.....	5
“ erecting gúy posts.....	4
“ picnics, Central and Mount Morris Parks.....	2,820
“ picnics in New Parks, North Harlem river.....	38
“ planting trees.....	1
“ Seventh and Seventy-first Regiments to pass over Riverside Drive.....	2
“ entering parks with wagons to deliver goods.....	7
“ botanizing in Central Park.....	9
“ crossing Central Park after closing hour.....	5
“ selling sod from trucks, Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue.....	1
“ entering and passing through Central Park with four-in-hand coach.....	1
“ selling souvenirs at Grant's Tomb.....	1
“ collecting cocoons.....	1
“ playing baseball in New Parks.....	7
“ removing blacksmith shop, Pelham Park.....	1
“ standing with hacks around City Parks.....	51
“ opening City Hall Park to replace boiler.....	1
“ Belmont Riding Club to pass through Central Park.....	1
“ delivering materials at bath-house, Battery.....	1
“ Edison Electric Illuminating Co. (to run wires through Fourth Avenue Tunnel).....	1

For surveying in Union Square.....	I
“ erecting signs at bath-house, Battery Park.....	I
“ decorating statues.....	10
“ Department of Public Works to lay main at High Bridge.....	I
“ photographing “Evening Post” wagons, Battery Park.....	I
“ using basement, Tompkins Square stand, to mix syrups.....	I
“ removing articles from Castle Garden.....	I
“ playing cricket.....	10
“ raising flags in Central and Battery Parks.....	3
“ milk wagon to stand at Franklin Statue.....	I
“ playing la crosse.....	3
“ erecting reviewing stands.....	I
“ erecting milk stand at Post Office.....	I
“ placing paving stones around Parks.....	5
“ erecting shed at Metropolitan Museum of Art.....	I
“ New York Tandem Club to pass through Central Park.....	I
“ playing baseball in Central Park.....	5
“ measuring statue in Madison Square Park.....	I
“ replacing water pipe at Castle Garden.....	I
“ Consolidated Gas Company to open Fifth avenue and Sixty-first street and Ninth avenue.....	2
“ passing over Riverside Drive with trucks.....	I
“ veterans of Seventh regiment to enter Park in citizens’ dress.....	I
“ Volunteer Fire Department to pass through City Hall Park.....	I
“ German Society to erect signs at Castle Garden.....	I
“ firing salute in Battery Park.....	I
“ Eighth Avenue R. R. to erect shed for horses.....	I
“ Manhattan Railway Co., to make opening Sixty-sixth street and Columbus avenue.....	I
“ Third Avenue R. R. Co., to erect shed for horses.....	I
“ Fire Department to construct alarm-box.....	I

Bills and pay-rolls amounting to the sum of \$409,396.63 have been audited and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment.

Bills.....	\$206,942 38
Pay-rolls.....	202,454 25
Cash deposited with Chamberlain.....	10,094 26

By order of the Department of Public Parks.

A. GALLUP, President.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

The minutes of the meetings of September 30, and October 6, 13 and 14, were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

From the New York and New Jersey Globe Gas-light Company, accepting the conditions upon which permission was given them to place their lamps in the Central Park. Filed.

From Fire Commissioner S. Howland Robbins, asking permission in behalf of the Fire Department to occupy a part of Riverside Drive, in the vicinity of Seventy-sixth street, for a stand on the occasion of the presentation of the Bennett and Stephenson Medals to members of said Department, November 7.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, permission was granted as requested.

From Alexander Scivani, applying for permission to place and maintain a boot-black stand on the sidewalk opposite the Register's office, City Hall Park. Denied.

From Thomas J. Howard, resigning his position as a Park policeman. Filed.

From Jacob H. Bier, applying for permission to erect and maintain a soda-water stand in Washington Square. Filed.

From L. F. Haffen, Engineer in charge of New Parks north of Harlem river, asking instructions in regard to the sale of refreshments in the small building at Van Cortlandt Lake. Referred to the Secretary.

From the Engineer of Construction, reporting upon an application of Francis Blessing for permission to lay pavement on the sidewalk opposite the Plaza at the southeast corner of One Hundred and Tenth street and Fifth avenue, at his own expense.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, permission was granted Mr. Blessing as applied for by him.

The Secretary presented the following estimates for repairing wagon, sheds and stalls, at McGown's Pass Tavern :

John O'Brien.....	\$250 00
Arthur Arctander	245 00
B. Ryan.....	230 00
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Commissioner Dana moved that an order be issued to the lowest bidder for doing the work.

Which was carried by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The President from 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 :

Arctander & Seabold, sheds.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$988 00
Babcock, Geo. E., payment on acceptance.	Resetting curb, etc., sidewalk, W. 72d st., 100 feet east Amsterdam avenue	101 98
Giffen & Loomes, Drs., professional services, etc., corrected bill	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$78 00
	Police—Supplies and Repairs	74 00
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Sicilian Asphalt Paving Co., The, payment on acceptance.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	4,671 58
Smith, B. & W. B., payment on acceptance.	American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of, Laws 1889.....	4,810 48
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		\$10,724 04
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$5,737 58
Street Improvement Fund.....	101 98
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	74 00
American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of, Laws of 1889.....	4,810 48
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	\$10,724 04
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Amounting to the sum of ten thousand seven hundred and twenty-four dollars and four cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, October 28, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote:

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 11.20 A. M., the Board adjourned.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1891—SPECIAL MEETING, 11.30 A. M.

Pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, NOS. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET, }
November 4, 1891.

Mr. CHAS. DE F. BURNS, *Secretary, etc.* :

SIR—You will please issue notices for a meeting of the Board to be held this day at 11.30 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of transacting such business as may be presented.

Respectfully,

A. GALLUP, } Commissioners
PAUL DANA, } of
A. B. TAPPEN, } Public Parks.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

The following communications were received :

From A. L. Tuckerman, Architect, applying for a leave of absence on account of ill health.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That Mr. Arthur L. Tuckerman be granted leave of absence during the winter months, provided that he shall employ a representative at his own expense to superintend the erection of the addition to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, such assistant to be recommended and approved by the Trustees.

Which was adopted.

From M. Lynch, commending Officer Myles Cavanagh for prompt and skillful assistance rendered him when thrown from his carriage at Ninth avenue and the Boulevard in August last. Referred to the Captain of Police to communicate to the force.

From the Director of the Menagerie, recommending the purchase of a male Axis deer.

On motion, the purchase recommended was authorized, at an expense not to exceed \$100, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The Secretary presented a statement of moneys received and deposited in the City Treasury, during the month of October.

Which was ordered entered upon the minutes, as follows :

Statement and Returns of Moneys Deposited in the City Treasury during November, 1891.

LICENSES.

1891.

Nov. 1.	John T. Jordan.....	\$31 63	
" 5.	Henry Castrop.....	23 42	
" 5.	R. M. Watson.....	10 60	
" 6.	Isidor Isaac (carrousel).....	83 07	
" 6.	" (goat carriages).....	23 08	
" 6.	W. H. Radford.....	870 71	
" 6.	C. H. Schultz.....	29 19	
" 9.	William Ward.....	18 00	
" 10.	Dennis F. Cray.....	17 01	
" 12.	John Lucas.....	16 11	
" 13.	Charles Schwarz.....	71 41	
" 13.	Max F. Jacobs.....	12 04	
" 14.	August Lawrence.....	9 20	
" 14.	Gabe Case.....	303 34	
" 14.	O. H. Riker.....	19 79	
" 16.	E. S. Stokes.....	387 86	
			\$1,926 46

POUND.

Nov. 16.	Property Clerk—Receipts for September.....	5 00
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GRASS.

Nov. 16.	Property Clerk.....	9 00
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SUNDRY RECEIPTS.

Nov. 16.	Alfred Scott, programmes.....	100 00
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RENTS.

Nov. 1.	James P. Connor.....	\$40 00
" 2.	Bronx Bleaching Co.....	100 00
" 2.	S. E. Marshall.....	100 00
" 5.	R. M. Watson.....	25 00
" 5.	Mrs. A. Russie.....	8 00
" 6.	Thomas Byrnes.....	5 00
" 6.	John Bromley.....	8 00
" 7.	J. H. Keller.....	40 00
" 8.	W. B. Brichell.....	8 00
" 8.	A. J. Woods.....	8 00

1891.

Nov. 8.	Richard N. Armour.....	\$12 00
" 9.	Ann Skedgell.....	4 00
" 9.	John Livingston.....	10 00
" 12.	Peter Wooley.....	40 00
" 13.	Mrs. M. J. Doyle.....	10 00
" 13.	C. F. Frothingham.....	150 00
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		\$568 00
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		\$2,608 46
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The matter of the proposed removal of the elevated railway structures, from the Battery Park, was considered.

The President 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 :

McInerney, Pat., Estimate No. 1.....	Entrance to Central Park at W. 106th street.....		\$2,089 50
Moore, Joseph, Estimate No. 2.....	Improving the Plaza at 110th street and 5th avenue.....		4,967 20
Moore, Joseph, payment on acceptance....	Met. Mus. of Art, completion, North extension, Laws 1884	\$2,539 80	
	Met. Mus. of Art, completion, North extension, Laws 1887	22,435 20	
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Pierce, John, Estimate No. 5.....	Met. Mus. of Art, completion, North extension, Laws 1889		38,160 00
Tuckerman, A. L., professional services...	Met. Mus. of Art, completion, North extension, Laws 1884	\$126 99	
	Met. Mus. of Art, completion, North extension, Laws 1887	1,121 76	
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Tuckerman, A. L., professional services...	Met. Mus. of Art, completion, North extension, Laws 1889		681 53
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			\$72,121 98
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RECAPITULATION.

Entrance to Central Park at West 106th street.....	\$2,089 50
Improving the Plaza at 110th street and Fifth avenue.....	4,967 20
Met. Mus. of Art, completion, North extension.....	65,065 28
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	\$72,121 98
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NOVEMBER 4, 1891.]

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Amounting to the sum of seventy-two thousand one hundred and twenty-one dollars and ninety-eight cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 4, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved, and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 12.45 P. M., the Board adjourned, to meet Friday, 20th instant, at 10 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1891—STATED MEETING, 10 A. M.

A quorum not being present, no business was transacted.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

On motion, the reading of minutes of previous meetings was dispensed with.

The following communications were received :

From the Rapid Transit Commission, enclosing a copy of their report recently made to the Common Council, and requesting the approval by this Department of the plans and conclusions as set forth in said report and the consent of this Board to the construction of a railroad thereunder pursuant to the provisions of section 5 of chapter 4 of the Laws of 1891.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Whereas, The Board of Rapid Transit Railroad Commissioners for the City of New York, appointed by the provisions of chapter 4 of the Laws of 1891, having determined upon the route or routes and general plan of construction of a Rapid Transit Railway, for the conveyance and transportation of persons and property, to be established in said City, in addition to the already existing lines, and having thereupon transmitted to the Common Council of the City of New York a copy of said plans and conclusions as adopted, which plans and conclusions, thus adopted, were received by said Common Council on the 21st day of October, 1891, at one o'clock P. M., at a meeting of said Common Council, duly convened, on such date, at such hour, and said Common Council, having by resolution, duly adopted at said meeting, appointed a day, not less than one week nor more than ten days after the receipt of such plans and conclusions, for the consideration thereof, to wit, the 28th day of October, 1891, at 2 o'clock P. M. ; and said Common Council, on such date so fixed, having proceeded to the consideration of such plans and conclusions, and having on said 28th day of October adopted a resolution, of which the following is a copy :

Resolved, That the Common Council of the City of New York do hereby approve such plans and conclusions, and do hereby consent to the construction of a railway or railways in accordance therewith. The route or routes and general plan of construction of a railway, the plans and conclusions for which are hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of section 5 of chapter 4 of the Laws of 1891, and to the construction of which the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty hereby consent, is as follows :

A route, the centre line, commencing at a point under the westerly side of Whitehall street, distant along the same 62.5 feet north from the northerly line of South street produced ; thence by diverging lines under Whitehall street and Battery Park and State street, respectively, forming a loop line, the tracks converging to parallelism at a point under Broadway between Bowling Green and Morris street ; thence under Broadway and Union Square to Fifty-ninth street ; thence under the Boulevard to One Hundred and Twenty-first street ; thence by viaduct to One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street ; thence under the Boulevard to the south line of One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street ; thence by viaduct to the north line of One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street ; thence under the Boulevard to One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street ; thence under Eleventh avenue to a point 1,460 feet north of the centre line of One Hundred and Ninetieth street ; thence by a viaduct on the same straight line produced to a point 442 feet north from the intersection of said straight line with the centre line of the Kingsbridge road ; thence to the right on the curve with a radius of 1,910 feet and in tunnel a distance of 860.6 feet ; thence by tangent 138 feet ; thence by curve to the left with a radius of 1,910 feet, a distance of 350 feet in tunnel and a distance of 510.6 feet by viaduct, to a point on a line coincident with the centre line of Audubon avenue produced and distant 425 feet north from the centre line of Two Hundred and Seventeenth street ; thence by viaduct and on a tangent coincident with the centre line of Audubon avenue produced across the Government Ship Canal, and thence by the same tangent and in depressed structure 670 feet ; thence on the same tangent and by viaduct to and across Spuyten Duyvil Creek ; and thence on the same tangent by viaduct, depressed structure and tunnel, as the contour of the lands may require to a point 100 feet north of the centre line of Delafield Lane ; thence to the left on a curve with the radius of 1,910 feet to a point 30 feet south from the centre line of Delafield's old lane ; thence by a tangent to a point 112.4 feet south from the south line of Rock street ; thence to the right by a curve with a radius of 500 feet for a distance of 220.8 feet to a point in the centre line of Forest street 112.4 feet north of the south line of Rock street ; thence by tangent coincident with the centre line of Forest street to the city limits.

Also, a loop from Broadway, under Mail street, City Hall Park, Park Row, and Chambers street, and again connecting with the Broadway line.

Also, a route, the centre line, diverging from the Broadway line at or near Fourteenth street, running under Union Square to Fourth avenue ; thence under Fourth and Park avenues to a point 112.15 feet north from the north line of Fortieth street ; thence to the left on a curve with a radius of 250 feet for a distance of 154.55 feet ; thence by tangent a distance of 292.18 feet to a point 40.1 feet north from the south line of Forty-second street, and 215.7 feet west from the centre line of Fourth avenue ; thence to the right on a curve with a radius of 250 feet a distance of 124.23 feet ; thence by tangent 46.39 feet ; thence to the left on a curve with a radius of 250 feet, a distance of 182.37 feet to a point 4.4 feet north from the north line of Forty-third street and 159.5 feet east from the centre line of Madison avenue ; thence by tangent 39.53 feet ; thence to the right on a curve with radius of 400 feet, a distance of 332.28 feet to a point in the centre line of Madison avenue 65.6 feet north from the north line of Forty-fourth street ; thence under Madison avenue to the south line of Ninety-sixth street ; thence to the right on a curve with a radius of 400 feet for a distance of 240.07 feet ; thence by tangent a distance of 132.98 feet ; thence to the left on a curve with a radius of 400 feet a distance of 240.07 feet to the south line of Ninety-eighth street at a point distant 175 feet east

from the easterly line of Madison avenue ; running thence by viaduct parallel with Madison avenue, the centre line, distant 175 feet east from the easterly line thereof across streets and private property to a point 124.6 feet north from the north line of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, and distant 175 east from the easterly line of Madison avenue ; thence to the right on a curve with a radius of 357.15 feet, a distance of 408.6 feet to a point on the west line of River street 54 feet 11 inches south from the south line of One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street ; thence by tangent across the Harlem river a distance of 400 feet ; thence to the left on a curve to the south line of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street at its intersection with the centre line of Walton avenue, as the same is laid down upon the topographical maps of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, issued from the office of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards ; thence, according to said maps, by viaduct, depressed structure and tunnel, as the contour of the lands may require, along the line of Walton avenue to Stebbins place ; thence to the intersection of the centre lines of Sylvan avenue and Belmont place ; thence along the line of Sylvan avenue to its terminus at Orchard street ; thence in a straight line to the centre line of Berrian avenue, at the southerly point thereof ; thence along the central line of Berrian avenue to First street ; thence in a straight line to the intersection of the centre lines of Kirkside avenue and Croton avenue ; thence along Kirkside avenue to Travers street, and thence by straight line to and under Jerome avenue to the north line thereof.

The general plan of construction of the loop under Battery Park, State and Whitehall streets shall be double track ; from the Morris street junction to near Vesey street, shall be three parallel tracks on the same level with suitable switches and connections between them ; from Vesey street to One Hundred and Ninetieth street on the west side line shall be four parallel tracks on the same level ; and thence across the Government Ship Canal and Spuyten Duyvil creek to the city limits shall be two parallel tracks on the same level. On the east side line from Fourteenth street to the Harlem river shall be four parallel tracks on the same level, and thence to the city limits shall be two parallel tracks on the same level. The tunnels shall be not less than 11 feet 6 inches in height in the clear, and 11 feet in width for each track. Whenever necessary for the proper support of the surface of the street, the roof of the tunnel shall be of iron girders with solid plate iron covering supported by suitable iron columns between each of the tracks, and supporting walls on the outside. The roof of the tunnel shall be as near the surface of the street as the pipes and underground structures now laid therein and the street grades will permit. Viaducts shall be of masonry or iron, or both combined. The Government Ship Canal and the Harlem river shall be crossed by double-track draw-bridges not less than 50 feet in the clear above mean high-water mark, with clear spans of not less than 125 feet between the centre piers and bulkhead line. North of the Harlem river the construction shall be by viaduct, depressed structure and tunnel as the grades of the land upon the proposed routes shall require. The junction of the tracks near Fourteenth street shall be effected by dividing them around Union Square, raising one pair and depressing the other, so that trains going in opposite directions shall not cross on the same level. All station approaches shall be as far as possible through private property to be acquired for that purpose, except that on the Boulevard station approaches may be in the centre of the street.

A footway shall be provided the whole length of the line between the centre tracks, and refuge niches shall be built in the side-walls at proper intervals for the convenience and protection of employees.

The motive power shall be electricity, or some other power not requiring combustion within the tunnel ; and the motor or motors shall be capable of a uniform speed for long distances of not less than forty miles per hour, exclusive of stops.

The manner of construction from South Ferry to about Thirty-fourth street shall be by underground tunneling without disturbing the surface of the street. In case of necessity the excavations below Beaver street, and in the neighborhood of Canal street, and at such other special points as this Commission may, during the progress of the work, determine, may be made by excavation from the street surface, and all excavations in Fourth avenue above Fourteenth street and in all other streets and avenues above Thirty-fourth street may be made in the manner.

And whereas, the Mayor of the City of New York thereafter approved such resolution of the Common Council ; and

Whereas, it is provided by section 5 of chapter 4, of the Laws of 1891, that where in any city a line of rapid transit may be laid and in accordance with the provisions of such act, the exclusive control of any street, road, highway or avenue, which is to be used or occupied by any railway or railways constructed under the provisions of such act, is by law vested in any local authority other than the Common Council of such city, the approval of the aforesaid plans and conclusions and the consent to the construction of such railway thereunder, shall be given by such local authority in place of and if required, in addition to such approval and consent by said Common Council and with like effect, and

Whereas, The said Board of Rapid Transit Railroad Commissioners in and for the City of New York have transmitted to the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York a duplicate of the report made as aforesaid to the Common Council of the City of New York.

Now, therefore, the said Department of Public Parks does hereby approve such plans and conclusions and does hereby consent to the construction of a railway or railways in accordance therewith.

Which were adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Fire Department, thanking this Department for facilities afforded for the parade and ceremonies on Riverside Drive on 7th instant. Filed, with directions to communicate the same to the Captain of Police.

From the Secretary of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, stating that the Trustees had selected Joseph Wolf to act as the representative of Arthur L. Tuckerman, Architect, during the leave of absence of the latter. Filed.

From W. C. Church, respecting the statue of John Ericsson, to be erected in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 261 of the Laws 1891. Referred to the Art Committee.

From the Presidents of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the National Academy of Design and New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, reporting favorably as to the artistic merit of the statues of Christopher Columbus and Berthel Thorwaldsen proposed to be erected in the parks.

On motion, the said statues were accepted, and the Superintendent of Parks was directed to recommend suitable sites therefor.

From A. P. Boller, Engineer, submitting plans, form of contract and specifications for the Jerome avenue approach to the bridge to be built over Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans, form of contract and specifications for the Jerome avenue approach to the proposed new bridge over Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, this day submitted by the Engineer, be approved and transmitted for the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and when approved by said Board, that the same be printed, and when printed and approved as to form by Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert an advertisement in the CITY RECORD inviting proposals for doing the work.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From A. P. Boller, Engineer, requesting a payment on account of professional services in preparing plans, estimates, contracts and specifications for the proposed bridge over Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the bill of Alfred P. Boller, amounting to ten thousand dollars on account of professional services in the preparation of surveys, plans, estimates, specifications, etc., for a bridge over the Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, as provided by chapter 207 of the Laws of 1890, be and hereby is approved, and that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to authorize the issue of bonds to the amount of ten thousand dollars pursuant to the provisions of the law above cited for the payment of said bill.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Tappen presented a report in relation to the occupancy of the building used as a tavern at Pelham Bridge, and recommending that the present occupant, W. J. Elliott, be allowed to remain upon the terms offered by him, viz. : to pay \$400 per annum and to maintain the building in proper repair at his own expense.

On motion, the report and recommendations of Commissioner Tappen were approved by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Submitting a time statement on the contract for constructing the foundation walls for enclosing wall around Mount Morris Park, showing an excess of time of 226¼ days.

On motion, the statement of the Engineer was approved.

2d. Relative to the necessity for lowering the water-pipe supplying the Madison Avenue Bridge, in consequence of the regulating and grading of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, from Mott avenue to the bridge, and recommending that the contractor doing the work on One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, be employed to lower the pipe at a cost of \$1 per lineal foot.

On motion, the recommendation of the Engineer was approved and an order for doing the work was authorized to be issued by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

3d. Submitting plans and specifications for the erection of parapet walls, bronze railings, etc., for enclosing the Morningside Park, along One Hundred and Tenth street and Morningside avenue west, from the entrance at Manhattan avenue to a point 21½ feet westerly from the westerly pier of the One Hundred and Twenty-second street entrance.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications submitted by the Engineer for parapet walls, bronze railings, etc., around Morningside Park be approved and the specifications ordered printed, and when 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Recommending the acceptance of offers of D. Canovan and A. C. Pucci to furnish mould free of charge on Riverside Park.

On motion, the Superintendent was authorized to accept the mould.

2d. Reporting upon an application of Miss Jeannette C. Welch for permission to obtain cuttings from plants in the Park Greenhouses. Denied.

From the Captain and the Surgeon of Police, reporting the death of Officer Wilson C. Fox on 7th instant. Filed.

From George Hall, Park Policeman, asking permission to appear before the Civil Service Examining Board for re-examination for promotion to the grade of Roundsman, upon the expiration of the present eligible list. Referred to the Civil Service Examining Board.

Mr. Alfred W. Louis, representing the Ship News Office of the Associated Press at the Battery, appeared and asked permission to move their office to that part of Battery Park adjoining the Barge Office, and was requested to make application in writing.

On motion, at 12.30 P. M., the Board adjourned.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1891—STATED MEETING, 11 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

The minutes of the meetings of October 21 and 28, and November 4 were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

From the President of the American Museum of Natural History, recommending the acceptance of a bid of Morton & Chesley, for furnishing mahogany material for cases on the top floor of the Museum Building.

On motion, an order was authorized to be issued to Morton & Chesley, as recommended, at an expense not to exceed \$868.40, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Property Clerk reporting in relation to the manner in which the laborers on Central Park were paid on 20th instant. Filed.

The President presented the following report :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET, }
November 23, 1891. }

The President reports as follows :

The Board of Health having complained of the condition of the drain at the southerly end of Crotona Park, a report was made by the Engineer in charge concerning its repairs, and the Board of Health was notified that in case the Board of Estimate granted the appropriation asked for such repairs would be made as soon as such appropriation became available next year.

Pursuant to report from the Engineer in charge of New Parks he was instructed to assign such portions of the Bronx Park adjacent to Bedford Park Station for lawn tennis, croquet, baseball and cricket grounds as might seem to him proper, and it is to be hoped that next year funds can be spared from the appropriation to enable the Department to adequately lay out courts and grounds for these purposes.

Upon complaint of Marie Hassell, Officer Andrew J. McNulty was suspended from duty and was arrested by the Captain and held to bail by Judge Grady in \$3,000 for examination on November 30, for criminal assault. I have written to the District Attorney, asking him to designate an assistant to conduct the examination on behalf of the People, and have requested him to use every effort to get at the bottom of the matter.

Some of the Departments have lately tested a gas-saving device with the result that, as it is said, in the Jefferson Market clock tower a net saving of 40 per cent. has been made and that at Bellevue Hospital there has been also a large saving; the device has been tested also at Roosevelt Hospital, where there has been a saving of 37 per cent.; at the N. Y. Juvenile Asylum there has been also a large saving. In order that this Department may have the benefit of such a device, if it is worth the while, I have asked for information from the Superintendent concerning the quantity of gas used in order to lay the same before this Board.

Certain draft bills upon the following subjects are laid before the Board for action. These were all introduced last year but failed of passage:

1. Police Pension Bill.
2. Van Cortlandt Park Appropriation Bill.
3. Bill for the construction of the Third Avenue Bridge.
4. Bill to enlarge the powers of this Department concerning the railways in the Transverse Roads.
5. Bill for the removal of the Menagerie.
6. Bill for the Soldiers' and Sailors' Arch at Fifty-ninth street and Fifth avenue.
7. Bill for the appropriation of funds to construct parkways in the Annexed District.

In addition, there is also laid before the Board for its action a bill which was introduced last year, establishing the salaries of the Park Police, and substantially making it mandatory upon the Board of Estimate to appropriate sufficient funds therefor.

It will be also necessary to prepare the following bills:

1. Appropriation for Castle Garden.
2. An additional appropriation for the payment of land damages growing out of the construction of Macomb's Dam Bridge and approaches.
3. A bill to be insisted upon by this Department for the construction of a new bridge at Fourth avenue by the Harlem Railroad Company.

The Soldiers' and Sailors' Arch bill should be introduced by the Grand Army Society and not by this Department. It was passed last year but vetoed. Some arch or trophy ought to be erected at the Fifth avenue entrance to the park, in accordance with the original design of the gates. Designs are made for all the gates, but none have ever been constructed, and such an arch as this would be complementary to the Washington Arch at the foot of Fifth avenue.

I learn that on November 20 several gangs left work for the purpose of being paid before four o'clock, and caused a report thereof to be made, writing to the paymaster for an explanation. The said report and reply are herewith submitted. The employment of the Property Clerk who makes

up the pay-rolls as paymaster by the Comptroller was designed to prevent such loss of time, and unless this can be accomplished other arrangements should be made at once.

The matters of proposed legislation, referred to in the President's report, were considered and action thereon was postponed.

The President 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 :

Abeel Brothers, boiler iron, etc	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$27 69	
	Zoological Department.	6 54	
			<u>\$34 23</u>
Am. and Contin'l Sanitas Co. (Lt'd), The disinfecting fluid.	Zoological Department.		75 00
Coffin, Paul C., hammer	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		5 00
Colwell Lead Co., repairs to boiler, etc.	Harlem River Bridges — Repairs and Supplies.		19 22
Consolidated Gas Company, gas.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$102 24	
	Zoological Department.	27 38	
	Harlem River Bridges — Repairs and Supplies.	17 63	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	30 00	
			<u>177 25</u>
Decker, Thompson W. & Sons, milk.	Zoological Department.		19 11
Doty, Thomas H. & Co., feed, etc.	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		36 03
Ellis, C. C. & Son, bread.	Zoological Department.		106 95
Giffen & Loomes, professional services, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$40 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	83 00	
			<u>123 00</u>
Hell Gate Oil Works, oil.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$5 25	
	Harlem River Bridges — Repairs and Supplies.	24 50	
			<u>29 75</u>
Harmer, Hays & Co., blankets	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		10 00
Ingersoll, Horace, oil meal	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		5 00
Manhattan Supply Co., The, screws, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		27 46
Milliken, James H., sawdust.	Zoological Department.		15 00
McKesson & Robbins, castor oil.	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		62

McKenzie, Wm. D., wall cases.....	Am. Mus. Nat. History, Enlargement of.....		\$820 00
Moffat, David & Co., leather.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....		10 30
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal.....	Harlem River Bridges — Repairs and Supplies.....		95 00
Saddlery Hardware Mfg. Co., The, blankets.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....		52 30
Smith, Clifford E., moulding.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....		1 60
Smith, B. & W. B., wall cases.....	Am. Mus. Nat. History, Enlargement of.....		480 00
Thornburn, J. M. & Co., seed.....	Zoological Department.....		3 50
Ward, Thomas, coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$77 50	
	Morningside Park — Improvement and Maintenance....	5 00	
	Riverside Park and Ave.—Improvement and Maintenance.....	10 00	
			92 50
Weeber & Co., successors to A. D. Cowan & Co., plants.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....		980 00
			<u>\$3,218 82</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$1,266 74
Zoological Department.....	253 48
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	156 35
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	227 25
American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of, Laws of 1887.....	820 00
American Museum of Natural History, Enlargement of, Laws 1889.....	480 00
Morningside Park—Improvement and Maintenance of.....	5 00
Riverside Park and Avenue—Improvement and Maintenance of.....	10 00
	<u>\$3,218 82</u>

Amounting to the sum of three thousand two hundred and eighteen dollars and eighty-two cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 20, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Bucki, Chas. L. & Co., yellow pine.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$58 49	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	25 50	
		<hr/>	\$83 99
Colwell Lead Co., iron pipe, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		26 94
Coffin, Paul C., locks, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.	\$3 80	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	1 40	
	Care of New Parks north of Harlem River.	1 20	
		<hr/>	6 40
Cooper, Hewitt & Co., galvanized iron.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.		95 85
Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank.	Rents and Repairs.		1,625 00
Fayerweather & Ladew, belting	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		6 53
Fournier, A., flag-pole.	Care of New Parks north of Harlem River.		70 00
Gates, Church E. & Co., hire of spruce plank	Care of New Parks north of Harlem River.		30 00
Hell Gate Oil Works, oil.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		5 05
Harmer, Hays & Co., thread	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		2 10
Ingersoll, Horace, cracked corn	Zoological Department.		16 50
Lanier, Chas., Treas., salaries and wages.	Maintenance—Museums.		178 11
Martin, John L., horse collar.	Police—Supplies and Repairs..		10 00
Manhattan Supply Co., The, bolts, files, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$144 08	
	Zoological Department.	90 00	
		<hr/>	234 08
Merrill & Wehrle Charcoal Co., charcoal.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance . . . . .		. 6 00
Mott, J. L., Iron Works, The, repairs to boiler.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$3 18	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	6 20	
		<hr/>	9 38
Moffat, David & Co., leather	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		30 96

McMurray, J. F., daily papers.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$22 20
N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., The, gas.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	56 13
New, T., Manufacturing Co., felt.	Zoological Department.	2 09
Parsons & Sons Co., Limited, ampelopsis.	Riverside Park Avenue—Improvement and Maintenance	12 00
Patterson Bros., horseshoe nails, etc.	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	10 17
Perry, W. B. & Son, apples, etc.	Zoological Department	36 75
Pinkerton's Nat'l Detective Agency, services.	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	108 20
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal.	Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.	190 00
Thorn, T. & W. & Co., feed, coal, etc.	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	63 02
		\$2,937 45

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance.	\$461 31
Police—Supplies and Repairs.	224 49
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.	190 00
Zoological Department.	145 34
Riverside Park and Avenue, Improvement and Maintenance of.	12 00
Rents and Repairs.	1,625 00
Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem river.	101 20
Maintenance Museums.	178 11
\$2,937 45	

Amounting to the sum of two thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven dollars and forty-five cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 20, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote:

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Ruddy, Stephen, Estimate No. 1.	Mason and granite work for seven parks between 60th and 67th streets.	\$2,520 00
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RECAPITULATION.

Fourth Avenue Public Parks, laying-out, etc., between Fifty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets \$2,520 00

Amounting to the sum of two thousand five hundred and twenty dollars.

A. GALLUP, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, November 20, 1891.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, on motion, the same was approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 & Fleming, Estimate No. 3.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$1,152 38	
	Riverside Park and Avenue—Improvement and Maintenance of.....	1,766 52	
			\$2,918 90
Fortunato, M., payment on acceptance....	Foundation-wall, etc., around Mount Morris Park.....		1,513 32
Hopper, John J., Estimate No. 6.....	Granite and bluestone steps, etc., Morningside Park....		11,200 00
Huffman, Theo. P., payment on acceptance.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$516 14	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	125 17	
	Zoological Department.....	538 44	
			1,179 75
Ingersoll, Horace, Estimate No. 1.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$2,006 09	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	629 62	
	Zoological Department.....	113 40	
			2,749 11
Mansfield, William, Estimate No. 2.....	Rebuilding of Superstructure Bridge No. 26, Central Park		1,589 49
			\$21,150 57

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$3,674 61
Riverside Park and Avenue—Improvement and Maintenance of.....	1,766 52
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	754 79
Zoological Department.....	651 84

Mount Morris Park—Construction of.....	\$1,513 32	
Morningside Park, Construction of—Completion of Bays, etc.....	11,200 00	
Central Park—Construction of Bridge No. 26.....	1,589 49	
		<u>\$21,150 57</u>

Amounting to the sum of twenty-one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars and fifty-seven cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN. } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 20, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Barron, Jas. S. & Co., steel brooms, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$123 84	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	10 31	
	Zoological Department.....	4 50	
			<u>\$138 65</u>
Berrian, S. L., cement.....	Care of New Parks North of Harlem River.....		3 00
Ingersoll, Horace, salt and oats.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		102 50
Kueffel & Esser Co., paper.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		5 84
Mason, F. H. D., petty disbursements.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$165 15	
	Zoological Department.....	61 32	
	Care of New Parks North of Harlem River.....	18 16	
			<u>244 63</u>
Manhattan Supply Co., The, bolts, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		29 75
Moore, Joseph, constructing walks and surface basins.....	Morningside Park—Improvement of.....		687 00
Mott, J. L. Iron Works, The, fire-pot, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$9 00	
	Zoological Department.....	34	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	6 98	
			<u>16 32</u>

McCloskey, Charles, repairs to buildings... Zoological Department.....		\$200 00
McLaughlin, James, sand..... Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance.....		25 00
National Calcium Light Co., calcium lights. Music.....		630 00
Price, James, filing saws..... Labor Maint.—General Main- tenance.....		16 50
Robacher's Disinfectant Co., disinfectant powder..... Zoological Department.....		13 00
Ward, Thomas, coal..... Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance.....	\$23 75	
Police Supplies and Repairs...	20 00	
		<hr/> 43 75
		<hr/> <hr/> \$2,155 94

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance.—General Maintenance.....	\$501 33
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	37 29
Zoological Department.....	279 16
Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem river.....	21 16
Music.....	630 00
Morningside Park—Improvement of.....	687 00
	<hr/> \$2,155 94

Amounting to the sum of two thousand one hundred and fifty-five dollars and ninety-four cents.

A. GALLUP, } Auditing
A. B. TAPPEN, } Committee.

NEW YORK, November 20, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department, for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Central Gas-light Co., The..... Maintenance—23d and 24th Wards, 1890.....	\$26 72
Longstaff & Hurd, payment on acceptance. Wall cases, etc., American Mu- seum Natural History.....	8,866 00
	<hr/> \$8,892 72

RECAPITULATION.

Maintenance—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, 1890.....	\$26 72	
American Museum of Natural History—Enlargement of, Laws 1887.....	8,866 00	
		<u>\$8,892 72</u>

Amounting to the sum of eight thousand eight hundred and ninety-two dollars and seventy-two cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 25, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The matter of the application of L. J. Callanan and others for the removal of the Elevated Railway from the Battery Park, was considered in connection with the testimony taken at the several hearings.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the application of L. J. Callanan and others to have the structure of the Elevated Railway removed from Battery Park, be denied and that a statement giving reasons for such denial be spread upon the minutes.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

In the matter
of
The application to the Board of Parks to revoke the permit
under which the Manhattan Elevated Railroad Company
occupies a portion of Battery Park.

By the opinions of two Counsels to the Corporation, Messrs. Whitney and Clark, it was decided that the permit issued by the Department of Parks, dated February 10, 1876, was executed in accordance with the powers then vested in the Department. During the arguments various cases were cited to sustain the contention that the Board had no power in 1876 to grant the permit. It is sufficient to say that all of these cases have been carefully examined, together with the arguments presented by the petitioners, with the result that we are of the opinion that not in a single instance do those cases decide the precise point in controversy. There is one, however (the Spader case), which does touch upon the question very closely. In it the point was raised that certain deeds of property fronting upon Battery Park had been given by the city, which contained covenants binding the city not to devote the park to private uses. The Court, however, held that the "use by the public of an elevated road across the Battery comes within the limits of what is known as a public use." So far as this case goes, it supports the Corporation Counsel's opinion, and we think that the City Corporation, or this Department as its successor, was not

barred by those deeds from granting such a license as is now in force. That question can only be raised, if at all, in a suit by abutting property-owners to enforce the covenants, in which the remedy asked should be an injunction against the further operation of the road, or damages for permitting it at all. Assuming, therefore, that the Department had power to grant the license, the only question remaining is whether the petitioners have proved that a necessity exists for a cancellation of it. We are quite mindful of the fact, which has been very forcibly presented to us, that no corporation should be given unusual or extraordinary privileges, whether by statute or otherwise. What such privileges are or are not can not well be defined so as to meet all cases; but in the case of the elevated roads those privileges are of great benefit to the public, and are paid for in return by a tax which amounts to about \$1,700 per day, or about \$600,000 per year.

If the elevated roads were removed from Battery Park, the problem of transit between the north and south parts of the city would be further from solution than it is at present. When the elevated roads were first built, they furnished sufficient transportation facilities, and reasons for their existence have been abundantly shown. That they do not furnish sufficient transportation now is the result chiefly of the enormous growth of the city. For three years the efforts of the present city administration have been directed without stint or cessation to providing New York with adequate means of rapid transportation, and this Department, under its present Board of Commissioners, thinks it its duty to co-operate to that end. We think that the efficiency of a business corporation like that of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty can only be successfully maintained when all branches of it work in perfect unison. We hold it as a requirement essential to the public interest that the lines of rapid transit should have convenient and perfect access to their natural terminus at the ferries at the southern end of the city. The number of travelers who used the South Ferry station during the year 1890 was about 6,000,000. The comfort of these passengers, who, in case the elevated roads did not run to the Battery, would be compelled to walk from the nearest station or to pay an additional fare to ride in the surface cars, should be and to us is of no little concern.

We are aware that Battery Park is much used by residents of the neighborhood. This Department has always made the place as attractive as possible, regarding it as one of the most important parks under its jurisdiction, and the grounds around Castle Garden, when laid out, will add to its attraction. Nevertheless, we are of opinion that the operation of the elevated roads on the northerly and easterly edges of the park, being, in fact, in some places 700 feet from the promenade along the sea wall, is not so serious a damage to the park or to the comfort of the people who resort there as to demand the radical interference with our system of rapid transit involved in the removal of the tracks. The elevated roads were located in Battery Park originally by the judgment of the Rapid Transit Commission of 1875, with the co-operation and approval of the Department of Parks. Their decision was examined by the Rapid Transit Commission appointed in 1887 and confirmed. There is no other reasonable and feasible route above the ground to the ferries.

In conclusion the following facts are to be considered: The elevated system in its infancy in 1876 was in the nature of an experiment. To give that experiment a fair trial, it was necessary that the roads should be induced to reach all the ferries and water-front at the southerly extremity of the island by crossing the easterly end of the Battery Park. The power to revoke was properly reserved in the original grant, so that if the experiment should prove a failure, or if for any reason the public convenience was not promoted by such use of the park, the permit might be revoked.

But the contrary is the case. The roads have ceased to be an experiment and have been a most wonderful factor in the growth of the city and the convenience of the traveling public.

Believing, as we do, that the public would suffer great inconvenience by any present change of the tracks, and that a change at this time would be unreasonable and confer no good upon the public interest, we are compelled to deny the application.

A. GALLUP,
PAUL DANA,
A. B. TAPPEN,
NATHAN STRAUS.

From the President of the New York Associated Press, asking permission to move their ship-news office temporarily to a point on Battery Park, west of the Barge Office.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, permission was granted the New York Associated Press Association to erect a temporary building adjoining the Barge Office at Battery Park, such permission to extend for three months only.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, permission was granted the Grant Monument Association to erect a temporary building at Riverside Park of the dimensions heretofore designated, such permission to extend for one year only.

On motion, at 12.20 P. M., the Board adjourned.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1891—STATED MEETING, 11 A. M.

Present—Commissioner Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

The minutes of the meetings of November 11, 20 and 25 were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

From Morris & Steele, in behalf of the estates of Nathaniel P. Bailey and William B. Denison, relative to developing the plan for the drainage of the Tibbett's Brook Valley in the Twenty-fourth Ward, and requesting that a temporary tide gate be placed at the western side of the waterway under the bridge at Broadway.

Messrs. Fordham Morris and Thomas N. Cuthbert appeared and were heard in relation thereto.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That Engineer Haffen be requested to examine and report fully concerning the request made by Messrs. Morris & Steele that this Department consent to the erection of the flood gate mentioned in their communication of December 6, 1891.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Presidents of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the National Academy of Design, and the N. Y. Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, reporting favorably upon the statue of Ericsson, proposed to be erected on the parks. Filed.

From the Trustees of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, recommending certain modifications in the plans for the north wing of the Museum building.

On motion, the recommendation of the Trustees was approved, and an agreement for the desired modifications was ordered prepared and executed by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From A. L. Tuckerman, Architect, submitting a time statement on the contract for ventilating work, fire service, etc, in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and recommending that no overtime be charged against the contractor on account of unavoidable delays in the work for which he was not responsible. Approved.

From S. D. Marshall, asking permission to remove dead trees from a portion of Pelham Bay Park.

On motion, the trees referred to were ordered sold at auction.

From the Engineer in charge of the New Parks, recommending that a number of trees standing on land in Bronx Park to be prepared as playgrounds near the Bedford Park station be disposed of.

On motion, the trees were ordered sold at auction.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Submitting a time statement on the contract for paving walks in Riverside Park. Filed.

2d. Submitting a time statement on the contract for improving the Plaza at One Hundred and Tenth street and Fifth avenue, and recommending that no charge for overtime be made against the contractor. Approved.

3d. Submitting a time statement on the contract for erecting granite and bluestone steps, platforms, etc., on Morningside Park, and recommending that the contractor be charged with the penalty for five days' overtime. Approved.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Reporting upon an application of Charles Buek & Company for permission to plant trees in front of premises on Riverside Drive at Seventy-eighth street, and recommending that the same be granted.

On motion, permission to plant trees was granted as recommended by the Superintendent, the work to be done under his direction.

The Board then proceeded to consider the evidence taken in the trials of Park Policemen.

James Bennett, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William F. Hollahan, charged with sleeping on post, was found guilty as charged and fined ten days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Thomas F. Morrow, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

James A. Doyle, charged with being off post, was found guilty and cautioned.

John Flaherty, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappan—4.

Patrick Faney, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappan—4.

George Gregory, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged, fined one day's pay and cautioned by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappan—4.

John M. Maher, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was acquitted.

Reuben E. Hewitt, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappan—4.

Michael J. Nolan, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one-half day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappan—4.

William J. O'Connor, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty as charged and fined one-half day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappan—4.

Alexander McMurray, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty as charged and fined one-half day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappan—4.

George Rogan, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty as charged and fined one-half day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappan—4.

John F. Murphy, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was acquitted.

John Hanrahan, charged with being absent from roll-call, was acquitted.

Michael Madden, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappan—4.

Alfred C. Newell, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Alfred C. Newell, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William H. Schultz, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined five days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William H. Schultz, charged with being off post (two charges), was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Edward F. Johnston, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

James F. McIntyre, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

John E. Hctor, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty and cautioned.

John E. Hctor, charged with being off post and sleeping while on duty, was found guilty as charged and fined ten days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Jacob Smith, a Laborer in the stables, charged with neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The Secretary presented a statement of moneys received and deposited in the City Treasury during the month of November, which was ordered entered upon the minutes, as follows :

Statement and Returns of Money Deposited in the City Treasury during November, 1891.

LICENSES.

1891.

Nov. 2.	Henry Castrop.....	\$21 75
" 2.	Carl Schmidt.....	13 34
" 4.	J. T. Jordan.....	25 86

1891.

Nov. 4.	W. H. Radford	\$554 92	
" 4.	Isidor Isaac (goat service).....	11 41	
" 4.	" (Carrousel).....	53 74	
" 5.	Carl H. Schultz.....	17 63	
" 9.	William Ward.....	18 80	
" 9.	R. M. Watson.....	6 45	
" 10.	E. S. Stokes.....	203 50	
" 12.	Charles Schwarz.....	37 39	
" 14.	O. H. Riker.....	11 64	
" 17.	John Lucas.....	13 06	
" 18.	Gabe Case.....	211 58	
			<hr/> \$1,201 07

POUND.

Nov. 18.	Property Clerk—Receipts for October.....		12 00
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GRASS.

Nov. 18.	Property Clerk—Receipts for October.....		4 00
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SUNDRY RECEIPTS.

Nov. 16.	Corporation Counsel—Settlement of suit against Theo. Holland.....	\$52 25	
" 18.	Property Clerk—Sale of grapes.....	5 00	
			<hr/> 57 25

RENTS.

Nov. 2.	J. W. Monroe.....	\$150 00	
" 2.	A. M. Livingston.....	4 50	
" 2.	George A. Adee.....	41 67	
" 2.	S. E. Marshall.....	100 00	
" 4.	J. P. Conner.....	40 00	
" 9.	R. M. Watson.....	25 00	
" 9.	Mary Thomas.....	10 00	
" 10.	Ann Skedgell.....	4 00	
" 13.	Elizabeth McKeon.....	90 00	
" 13.	P. F. McKeon.....	75 00	
" 13.	P. F. Ferrigan.....	120 00	
" 13.	Francis Morgan.....	60 00	
" 14.	R. N. Arnow.....	12 00	
			<hr/> 732 17

\$2,006 49

The President, 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 :

Arnold, David P., meat.....	Zoological Department.....		\$202 50
Bostwick, E. W. & J. B., coal	Harlem River Bridges—Re-		
	pairs and Supplies.....		20 00
Breen, M., painting elephant's house roof..	Zoological Department.....		63 75
Brandis Manufacturing Co., plumb bob, etc.	Improving the plaza at 110th		
	street and 5th avenue.....		5 80
Coffin, Paul C., nails, etc.	Care of New Parks north of		
	Harlem River.....		7 80
	Labor, Maint.—General Main-		
	tenance		82 90
Colwell Lead Co., brass plugs, etc.....	Zoological Department.....	\$11 00	
	Labor, Maint.—General Main-		
	tenance	1 23	
			12 23
Consolidated Gas Co, gas	Labor, Maint.—General Main-		
	tenance	\$104 00	
	Zoological Department.....	31 37	
	Harlem River Bridges—Re-		
	pairs and Supplies.....	19 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	31 88	
			186 25
Doty, Thos. H. & Co., feed, etc.	Police—Supplies and Repairs..		26 59
Howard & Morse, galvanized wire mesh...	Zoological Department.....		5 35
Ingersoll, Horace, cracked corn, etc.....	Zoological Department.....	32 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	5 00	
			37 00
Keuffel & Esser Co., tracing cloth.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main-		
	tenance		8 80
Moffat, David & Co., leather	Labor, Maint.—General Main-		
	tenance		6 00
Mott, J. L., Iron Works, The, scorcher....	Labor, Maint.—General Main-		
	tenance		9 35
N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., The, gas.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main-		
	tenance		61 00
O'Brien, John J., coal.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	\$10 00	
	Labor, Maint.—General Main-		
	tenance	35 00	
			45 00

O'Donnell, N., coal	Zoological Department.....	\$214 25	
	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	77 00	\$291 25
O'Donnell & Coyle, sod.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		97 50
Perry, W. B. & Son, carrots.....	Zoological Department.....		7 50
Riegelman, J., coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		237 50
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal, 1890.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1890.....		2 63
Thorn, T. & W. & Co., feed and coal.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	\$30 63	
	Care of New Parks north of Harlem River.....	20 00	50 63
Walker, F. D. L., indexing minutes.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		75 00
Ward, Thos., coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		78 75
Weeber & Don (successors to A. D. Cowan & Co.), plants.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		780 00
Cincinnati Zoological Society, one axis deer	Zoological Fund.—Sale of Animals.....		100 00
			<u>\$2,501 08</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$1,654 03	
Zoological Department.....	567 72	
Zoological Fund—Sale of Animals.....	100 00	
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	39 00	
Improving the Plaza at One Hundred and Tenth street and Fifth avenue..	5 80	
Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem river.....	27 80	
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	104 10	
Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1890.....	2 63	
		<u>\$2,501 08</u>

Amounting to the sum of two thousand five hundred and one dollars and eight cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 9, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote:

Ayes—Commissioner Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

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

Clark, William J., Estimate No. 1.....	Repaving, etc., Roadway, Plaza and Circle, Fifth and Eighth avenues	\$3,657 50
Hopper, John J., payment on acceptance...	Erection of granite and blue stone steps, Morningside Park.....	15,046 60
Mansfield, William, Estimate No. 3.....	Rebuilding superstructure Bridge No. 26 Central Park	2,649 15
Mansfield, William, Estimate No. 4.....	Rebuilding superstructure Bridge No. 26 Central Park	1,589 49
Moore, Joseph, payment on acceptance...	Regulating, Grading, etc., the Plaza at 110th street and Fifth avenue.....	6,731 89
McInerney, Patrick, Estimate No. 2.....	Entrance to Central Park at West 106th street	1,911 00
Neuchatel Asphalte Co., The, Limited, pay- ment on acceptance.....	Paving, etc., walks on River- side Park between 72d and 79th streets.....	6,010 73
Peirce, John, Estimate No. 6.....	Completion of North Extension Metropolitan Museum Art, 1889.....	16,468 68
Tuckerman, A. L., professional services...	Metropolitan Museum Art— completion of North Extension, 1889.....	205 85
		<u>\$54,270 89</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$3,657 50
Morningside Park—Construction and Completion of Bays, etc.....	15,046 60
Riverside Park, Construction of	6,010 73
Central Park—Construction of Bridge No. 26.....	4,238 64
Metropolitan Museum of Art, completion North Extension, 1889.....	16,674 53
Improving the Plaza at One Hundred and Tenth street and Fifth avenue.	6,731 89
Entrance to Central Park at West One Hundred and Sixth street.....	1,911 00
	<u>\$54,270 89</u>

Amounting to the sum of fifty-four thousand two hundred and seventy dollars and eighty-nine cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, December 9, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Brown & Fleming, payment on acceptance.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$1,756 40	
	Riverside Park and avenue—Improvement and Maintenance.....	646 96	
			\$2,403 36
Mason, F. H. D., petty cash.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$120 49	
	Care of New Parks, north of Harlem river.....	9 20	
	Zoological Department.....	45 28	
			174 97
			<u>\$2,578 33</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$1,876 89	
Riverside Park and Avenue, Improvement and Maintenance of.....	646 96	
Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem river.....	9 20	
Zoological Department.....	45 28	
		<u>\$2,578 33</u>

Amounting to the sum of two thousand five hundred and seventy-eight dollars and thirty-three cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 9, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Abel Brothers, steel, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$62 88
Arnold, D. P., meat.....	Zoological Department.....	217 50
Decker, T. W. & Son, milk.....	Zoological Department.....	21 00

Ellis, C. C. & Son, bread.....	Zoological Department.....	\$103 50
Haffen, Louis F., petty cash.....	Care of New Parks north of Harlem river	73 55
Haggerty, J. Henry, oil... ..	Harlem River Bridges—Re- pairs and Supplies.....	\$30 45
	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	5 20
Hodgman Rubber Co., horse cover.	Labor, Maint.—General Main tenance	35 65
		3 25
Ingersoll, Horace, oats.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	60 00
Mott, J. L. Iron Works, The, scorcher, etc.	Care of New Parks north of Harlem river.....	35 33
McLaughlin, James, sand	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	\$55 00
	Zoological Department.....	7 50
Ryan, B., repairing building, Mount St. Vincent	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	230 00
Slattery, John, restoring pavement.....	Restoring and repaving.....	38 00
Slattery, John, paving, etc., Plaza.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	927 38
Tyndale, B. S., fish	Zoological Department.....	68 75
Thomas, Seth, Clock Co., repairs to clock.	Harlem River Bridges—Re- pairs and Supplies.....	1 75
Ward, Thomas, coal	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	29 75
Whitman Saddle Co., brass buckles, etc. .	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	23 35
		<u>\$1,994 14</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$1,313 46
Zoological Department.....	418 25
Care and Maintenance of New Parks north of Harlem river.....	108 88
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	32 20
Police Supplies and Repairs.....	83 35
Restoring and Repaving—Special Fund.....	38 00
	<u>\$1,994 14</u>

Amounting to the sum of one thousand nine hundred and ninety-four dollars and fourteen cents.

A. GALLUP, }
N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The President presented the following report :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
NOS. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET. }

The President reports as follows :

Pursuant to the request from some of the residents in the vicinity of Crotona Park, directions have been given that the dam at the south end of Indian Pond should be repaired, in order to make a place for skating.

The Board will remember that the ordinance of this Department, providing that certain vehicles should carry lights in Central Park at night, was suspended pending action by the Board of Aldermen upon a similar resolution. The Board of Aldermen, on December 1, 1891, adopted an ordinance, of which a copy is laid before the Board, and it will be in order to instruct the President as to whether the suspended ordinance should be revived, in case such ordinance is approved by the Mayor.

The apprehended inconvenience arising from the fact that carriages were not required to carry lights in the streets, and might, therefore, be prevented from entering the park at all, is now done away with.

A communication from Messrs. Morris & Steele, concerning the drainage of the Tibbett's Brook District, is laid before the Board. The Commissioner of Street Improvements has been invited to meet us as well as the writers of the letter, Messrs. Morris & Steele, in order that the matter may be fully discussed at this meeting.

In order to bring about greater discipline and more efficient service in the mounted squad, Roundsman McKenna has been detailed in command of it in place of Roundsman Egan, subject to the approval of the Board.

A request from Messrs. Charles Buek & Co. for leave to plant trees at Riverside Park and Seventy-eighth street, and a report of the Superintendent thereon is laid before the Board. Upon the general subject of tree-planting I report that it will be necessary to commence to plant young trees on the westerly side of the park from One Hundred and Tenth street down to Fifty-ninth street. For several years the Department has mentioned this work in communications presented to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and it is time that a commencement was made. I have therefore directed the Superintendent to look around and secure trees for that purpose, which can be purchased in case the Board so direct after the first of the year. Meanwhile time will be saved.

On motion, at 12.40 P.M., the Board went into Executive Session.

The following communications were received :

From S. Maulbeck, Draughtsman, applying for an increase of salary. Filed.

From Patrick J. O'Brien, applying for permission to let skates in the skate-house at Van Cortlandt lake during the coming skating season. Filed.

From August Braun, applying for a renewal of his license for letting skates and chairs at the Central Park lake. Referred to the President with power.

From A. H. Dollivar, applying for a renewal of his license for operating Swan velocipede boats on the lower lake in the Central Park. Referred to the President with power.

Commissioner Dana submitted a design for a wall and railing to be erected around Mount Morris Park, at an estimated cost of \$6.90 per foot, and offered the following :

Resolved, That the design for an iron fence or railing, this day submitted, be approved and substituted for the plan approved on July 15, 1891, for an inclosing wall around Mount Morris Park ; that the same be forwarded to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for approval, with the request that the Comptroller be authorized and directed to issue bonds to the amount of eighteen thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, as provided by chapter 575 of the Laws of 1887, to be used for the purpose of erecting the railing as designed to inclose the said park with the exception of the entrances.

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board on July 22, 1891, requesting the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the expenditure of six thousand dollars from the amount raised for a foundation wall around Mount Morris Park, for the purpose of constructing the superstructure to be placed on said foundation, in accordance with a plan adopted July 15, 1891, be so amended as to refer to the design this day approved, instead of the said plan therein mentioned.

Which were adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappan—4.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, it was ordered that no ale, beer or alcoholic drinks be sold under the license of Daniel Sullivan for selling refreshments in the skate building at Van Cortlandt Lake.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the matter of the license for conducting the Casino restaurant in the Central Park was referred to Commissioners Gallup and Dana for consideration and report.

On motion, at 1.25 P. M., the Executive Session arose and the Board adjourned to Wednesday, 16th instant, at 10 o'clock A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1891.—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

A committee of Park Policemen waited upon the Board and asked that steps be taken to procure the necessary legislation for the establishment of a Pension Fund for Park Policemen. Sergeant John W. England and Dr. E. T. T. Marsh were heard upon the subject, which was laid over for consideration.

At the hour of eleven o'clock, Mr. E. G. Marsh, representing 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 advertisements duly published in the CITY RECORD for the following works :

For the Erection of an Iron Railing around One Park in Park Avenue.

Bidders.	Amount.
Thomas A. Rourke.....	\$1,400 00
Christian Hafers.....	1,425 00
The Manhattan Supply Co.....	1,423 00
James A. Smith.....	1,524 60

For Furnishing and Delivering Forage.

ITEMS.		QUANTITIES.	THEO. P. HUFFMAN.		HORACE INGERSOLL.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Hay.....	340,000 pounds.	\$0 80	\$2,720 00	\$0 94	\$3,196 00
2	Straw.....	55,000 "	75	412 50	94	517 00
3	Oats.....	3,300 bags.	1 15	3,795 00	94	3,102 00
4	Corn.....	550 "	1 25	687 50	94	517 00
5	Bran.....	375 "	40	150 00	94	352 50
Amount.....		.....	.....	\$7,765 00	.....	\$7,684 50

Messrs. Sherman T. Pell and George W. Carpenter, Supervisors of the Town of Westchester, appeared before the Board upon invitation, concerning the maintenance of the City Island Bridge. The Board made a proposition to the effect that it would contribute \$500 for repairs and \$300, the salary of a bridge man, making \$800 in all, provided the County of Westchester undertook to bear the expense of maintaining said bridge during the year 1892. Messrs. Pell and Carpenter stated that they would report said proposition to their Board and communicate their action to this Department.

Mr. Matthew J. Elgas, President of the Teachers' Association, appeared before the Board and asked permission to occupy one of the floors of the Arsenal Building in Central Park for an exhibition of geographical appliances, on behalf of the Teachers' Association.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That permission be and the same hereby is granted to the Teachers' Association to use the second floor of the Arsenal Building for a period of thirty days for an exhibition of geographical appliances, provided no entrance fee is charged.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes--Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen--4.

Mr. Herbert L. Satterlee appeared and was heard in relation to an application made by the Naval Reserve Association for permission to use Castle Garden as a drill-room and quarters for the Naval Reserve.

On motion, the application and the accompanying recommendations were referred to Commissioner Dana for consideration and report.

Mr. A. J. Hanrahan, chairman of a committee of citizens from Highbridge, was heard in the matter of providing approaches to the footways of the bridge over Harlem river, at Eighth avenue, to connect with the One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street side.

The President presented the following report :

The President reports as follows :

The work for the coming year should be prepared as soon as possible. Last year contracts were not prepared and let until late. I have therefore directed that contracts be drawn at once to be advertised immediately after the 1st of January for the following works :

1. To continue the work on Fourth avenue parks.
2. For relaying asphalt in the city parks to the extent authorized by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.
3. For gravel.
4. To complete the work on the Circle at One Hundred and Tenth street and Fifth avenue.
5. To continue the work on the One Hundred and Sixth street entrance to the park on the west side.

The funds available for these works can only be determined when the final estimates are passed on December 31. As much progress is being made as possible with the plans for the im-

provement and laying out of the new portion of the East River Park, to the end that this Department may early in the year present them to the Board of Estimate, in order that an issue of bonds may be authorized under the Laws of 1887, chapter 320.

In addition, the subject of laying out the triangle at Seventieth street and the Boulevard must be taken up. For the information of the Board a report of the Engineer of Construction and a plan by Mr. Vaux are herewith submitted.

In addition to this work and the work mentioned in my last report, viz. : setting out trees on the west side of the park, it will be necessary for the Department to make an intelligent beginning in the direction of repairing the structures in the various parks. This work in some cases will require large expenditures, but instead of patching here and there, as has been done heretofore, a better result will undoubtedly be reached by a liberal expenditure on a few buildings, putting them in complete order, leaving the others to be repaired in the same way next year.

I omitted to mention in my last report that on the third day of December the force was put on half time. This is not unusual at this time of the year. It is expected by the men, and it is preferable to discharging a portion of them. By this means the appropriations at hand will last until the 31st of December. Last year before the system of checks on the Superintendent's figures, which has been in use all this year, was devised, it was found necessary to lay off the whole force the day before Christmas upon his representation that sufficient funds were not in hand. Although this turned out to be erroneous, yet the possibility of such an occurrence has been since obviated.

Commissioner Straus, who for some time past has been looking into the system of accounts in use at the Arsenal, is about to recommend some changes, among which will be the adoption of a general stock or property ledger in which shall be entered under proper heads every item of property received or issued by the Property Clerk, so that at a glance the precise quantities of property on hand can be ascertained. Such a book of account is not kept in the Department, but its usefulness was long since demonstrated by Mr. Barker, now President of the Tax Department, when he was a Commissioner of Accounts.

Mr. Boller was directed to prepare the maps for the use of the Counsel to the Corporation of the lands to be condemned for the approaches to the new Seventh Avenue Bridge without any further delay, and his reply to the communication of this Department is herewith submitted, in which he states that he is using every possible effort, with the assistance of the Department of Public Works, to comply with the directions of the Department.

A communication was written since the last meeting to the Commissioner of Public Works, requesting him to widen and make safe the temporary approach to the Seventh Avenue Bridge constructed by him. Mr. Gilroy's reply, stating that he has no appropriation on hand for that work, is submitted to the Board herewith.

Litigation between the City and the Suburban Railroad Company has resulted in a judgment of the Court of Appeals maintaining the claim of the Suburban Railroad Company, that it has the right to construct its road through St. Mary's and Bronx Parks. A copy of the opinion will be obtained at once, and also a copy of the route that was laid out for the railroad company prior to the acquisition of the park property. This result is to be deplored, as the beauty of Bronx Park and St. Mary's Park will be in a great measure destroyed ; but, on the other hand, access to these parks will be greatly facilitated.

The following communications were received :

From the Commissioner of Public Works, in relation to a proposed widening of the temporary approach to McComb's Dam Bridge, pending the construction of the permanent approach. Filed.

From A. P. Boller, Constructing Engineer, in explanation of delay in the preparation of maps for use in the proceeding to acquire land for the Jerome avenue approach to the proposed bridge over Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street. Filed.

From a committee of wheelmen, inviting attendance at a theatre party and banquet of the Wheelmen of the Metropolitan District on the evening of the 19th instant. Filed.

From Stanford White, in relation to the erection of wheel blocks around the Washington Memorial Arch in Washington Square. Filed.

From J. M. Harris, in relation to the stopping of a runaway horse by Park Policeman Green on the 6th instant in Central Park. Filed, with directions that the same be communicated to the Captain of Police.

From the Landscape Architect and the Superintendent of Parks, reporting in relation to the preparation of a plan for improving the extended portion of East River Park. Referred back for additional report.

From A. P. Boller, Constructing Engineer, submitting an amended form of contract and specification for the Jerome avenue approach to the proposed new bridge over Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, to meet the requirements of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

On motion, the said form of contract and specifications as amended, were approved and ordered transmitted for the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Submitting an assessment list for resetting curb and relaying flagging on the north side of West Seventy-second street, extending one hundred feet easterly from Amsterdam avenue.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, said assessment list, together with the amount and cost of the work therein mentioned, was approved and ordered signed by the Commissioners and forwarded to the Board of Assessors, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

2d. Reporting upon an application of William J. Clark for remission of penalty for overtime on his contract for repairing and resurfacing the macadamized roadway of the Plaza and Circle, Fifty-ninth street, Fifth and Eighth avenues, and recommending that the application be granted.

On motion, the recommendation of the Engineer was approved.

The President, 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 :

McCloskey, Charles, skate building and gent's cottage.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance.	\$375 00
Ruddy, Stephen, Estimate No. 2.....	Mason and Granite Work for 7 Parks in Park avenue, • between 60th and 67th streets.....	2,520 00
Smith, B. & W. B., desk case..	American Museum of Natural History.....	472 50
		<u>\$3,367 50</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance	\$375 00
Fourth Avenue Public Parks, laying out, etc., between Fifty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets	2,520 00
American Museum of Natural History, enlargement of 1889.....	472 50
	<u>\$3,367 50</u>

Amounting to the sum of three thousand three hundred and sixty-seven dollars and fifty cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 16, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved, and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department, for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the contract for which proposals have been this day received for erecting a railing around one park on Park avenue be awarded to Thomas A. Rourke, the lowest bidder ; that his proposal be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of the sureties thereon, and when so approved that the President be authorized to sign the contract for and on behalf of the Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, all the bids or proposals received for furnishing and delivering forage were rejected and the Secretary was directed to readvertise for other bids.

On motion, at 12.20 P.M., the Board adjourned to Wednesday, 23d instant, at 10 o'clock A.M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1891—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Dana, Tappen.

A quorum not being present, no business was transacted.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1891—SPECIAL MEETING, 11 A. M.

Pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
 NOS. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET, }
 December 28, 1891. }

Mr. CHARLES DE F. BURNS, *Secretary, etc.* :

SIR—You will please issue notices for a meeting of the Board, to be held Wednesday, 30th instant, at 11 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of opening proposals and transacting miscellaneous business.

Respectfully,

A. GALLUP, President D. P. P.

Present—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, Commissioner Dana was called to the chair.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the reading of minutes of previous meetings was dispensed with.

Mr. E. G. Marsh, representing 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 advertisements duly published in the CITY RECORD for furnishing and delivering forage.

Table of Bids.

ITEMS.	ESTIMATED QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
		HORACE INGERSOLL.		CHARLES L. RICKERSON.		THEO. P. HUFFMAN.		JOHN MOONAN.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1. Hay.....	340,000 pounds.	\$0 80	\$2,720 00	\$0 78	\$2,652 00	\$0 77½	\$2,635 00	\$0 85	\$2,890 00
2. Straw.....	55,000 "	70	385 00	75	412 50	75	412 50	80	440 00
3. Oats.....	3,300 bags.	1 15	3,795 00	1 17½	3,877 50	1 11	3,663 00	1 20	3,960 00
4. Corn.....	550 "	1 00	550 00	1 19	654 50	1 20	660 00	1 30	715 00
5. Bran.....	375 "	30	112 50	41	153 75	40	150 00	42½	159 37
Amount.....	.....	.....	\$7,562 50	.....	\$7,750 25	.....	\$7,520 50	.....	\$8,164 37

Commissioners Dana and Gallup, committee to whom was referred the matter of the license to conduct the Casino Restaurant in the Central Park, presented a report recommending that a license be issued to Isidor Isaac & Company for a time and upon terms to be hereafter decided.

On motion, said report and recommendation were approved by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

The following communications were received :

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting the action of said Board in approving the form of contract and specifications for the construction of the Jerome avenue approach to the proposed new bridge across Harlem river at One Hundred and fifty-fifth street. Filed.

From Charles Schwarz, applying for a renewal of his license to occupy and sell refreshments in the buildings in Highbridge Park.

On motion, the matter was referred to the President with power by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the Secretary was authorized to renew the insurance on the buildings in the new parks, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Dana offered the following :

Resolved, that the salary of Florence A. Holman, typewriter, be and is hereby fixed at the rate of sixty dollars and forty-six cents for the month of December, 1891.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

The Board then proceeded to consider the evidence taken in the trials of Park Policemen.

John J. Doolady, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

Charles C. Bradley, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty as charged, and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

John F. Purcell, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty as charged, and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

James Gorman, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

Max Lasky, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty as charged, and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

John Hoey, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

James F. McIntyre, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty as charged, and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

James F. McIntyre, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty.

On motion, charge dismissed.

Thomas H. Nicholson, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty.

On motion, charge dismissed.

John Graham, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged, and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

William S. Ryerson, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty as charged, and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

Michael J. Nolan, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged, and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

George Hampshire, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged, and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

John Shea, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged, and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

John J. O'Brien, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged, and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

Thomas J. O'Connor, charged with being absent from duty without leave.

On motion, charge dismissed.

John Kennedy, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged, and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

Petitions favoring the use of Castle Garden by the Naval Reserve, were received and placed on file.

Commissioner Dana, to whom the matter had been referred, made a verbal report in favor of permitting the Naval Reserve Battalion to use Castle Garden until such time as it is definitely determined as to what is to be its permanent use, it being understood that the floor is to be made safe by the Battalion and that the Department is to be held harmless from all liability for damages of any kind.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the report was accepted and Commissioner Dana was continued as a committee on the occupation of Castle Garden, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Union Bridge Company, withdrawing their proposal for constructing the proposed new bridge over Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street. Referred to Commissioner Straus for conference and report.

From the Engineer of Construction, submitting maps showing the land required for proposed approaches to the footways of the New York and Northern Railroad Company's bridge over Harlem river prepared as requested by the Board of Street Opening and Improvement.

On motion, said maps were approved and ordered transmitted to the Board of Street Opening and Improvement.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Submitting a time statement on the contract of William Mansfield for rebuilding the superstructure of bridge No. 26 in the Central Park. Filed.

2d. Recommending the acceptance of an offer of J. H. White to furnish a quantity of mould free of charge on Morningside Park.

On motion, the Superintendent was authorized to accept the mould.

Commissioner Straus offered the following :

Resolved, That to facilitate the passage of the Central Bridge approach by vehicles the Commissioner of Public Works be respectfully requested to move the wooden curve so as to widen the carriageway and reduce the width of the footpath on each side about two feet.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Dana offered the following :

Resolved, That the contract for forage for which proposals have been this day received be awarded to Theo. P. Huffman, the lowest bidder ; that his proposal be sent to the Comptroller for approval of sureties, and when so approved that the President be authorized to sign the contract for and on behalf of the Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Straus 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.

Breen, M., painting antelope house.....	Zoological Department.....	\$88 00
Coffin, Paul C., nails, etc.....	Care and Maintenance of New Parks, north Harlem River	3 25
Hayes, Edwin A., Manufacturing Com- pany, life buoys	Harlem River Bridges— Re- pairs and Supplies.....	25 90
Haggerty, J. Henry, oil.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	\$5 10
	Care and Maintenance of New Parks, north Harlem River	5 15
		<hr/> 10 25
Heylman, Charles, hay, etc.....	Care and Maintenance of New Parks, north Harlem River	28 98
Mott, J. L., Iron Works, The, iron pipe...	Care and Maintenance of New Parks, north Harlem River	13 73
New, T., Manufacuring Company, felt...	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	66 50
Patterson Bros., nails.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	6 15
Perry, W. B. & Son, carrots.....	Zoological Department.....	5 00
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal.....	Harlem River Bridges— Re- pairs and Supplies.....	95 00
Sicilian Asphalt Paving Company, The, pavement	Zoological Department.....	501 07
Tefft, Weller & Co., ticking.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	34 65
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$112 40
Zoological Department.....	594 07
Care and Maintenance of New Parks, north of Harlem River.....	51 11
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	120 90
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	\$878 48

Amounting to the sum of eight hundred and seventy-eight dollars and forty-eight cents.

N. STRAUS, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 30, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved, and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—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., elms.....	Improving Plaza, 110th street and Fifth avenue.....	\$45 00
Barron, James S. & Co., brooms.....	Harlem River Bridges—Re- pairs and Supplies.....	30 50
Bowne, Thomas B. & Son, coal.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	10 00
Ingersoll, Horace, Estimate No. 2.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance.....	\$681 22
	Zoological Department.....	439 60
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	95 95
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		1,216 77
Manhattan Supply Co., The, shovels, etc.....	Riverside Park and Avenue, Maintenance of.....	21 50
Oelschlaeger Brothers, thermometers.....	Zoological Department.....	4 00
Patterson Brothers, files.....	Harlem River Bridges—Re- pairs and Supplies.....	9 57
Sellew, T. G., repairs to chair.....	Zoological Department.....	15 75
Treadwell, E. H. & Co., skate building.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance.....	917 00
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		\$2,270 09

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$1,598 22	
Improving the Plaza at One Hundred and Tenth street and Fifth avenue.....	45 00	
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies.....	40 07	
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	105 95	
Zoological Department.....	459 35	
Riverside Park and Avenue, Improvement and Maintenance of.....	21 50	
		<u>\$2,270 09</u>

Amounting to the sum of two thousand two hundred and seventy dollars and nine cents.

N. STRAUS, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 30, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes--Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Clark, William J., payment on acceptance. Repairing, etc., roadway of Plaza and Circles 5th and 8th avenues.....		\$2,978 45
Ruddy, Stephen, Estimate No. 3..... Mason work, etc., for seven parks, bet. 56th and 67th streets.....		2,520 00
		<u>\$5,498 45</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$2,978 45	
Fourth Avenue Public Parks—Laying out, etc., between Fifty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets.....	2,520 00	<u>\$5,498 45</u>

Amounting to the sum of five thousand four hundred and ninety-eight dollars and forty-five cents.

N. STRAUS, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 30, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—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 .

Morton & Chesley, mahogany, etc., 1889.	American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of.	\$868 40
Williams, Ichabod T. & Sons, pine, 1887.	American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of.	452 73
		<u>\$1,321 13</u>

RECAPITULATION.

American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of, 1889.	\$868 40
American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of, 1887.	452 73
	<u>\$1,321 13</u>

Amounting to the sum of one thousand three hundred and twenty-one dollars and thirteen cents.

N. STRAUS, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 30, 1891.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Mansfield, William, payment on acceptance.	Rebuilding Superstructure— Bridge No. 26, Central Park	<u>\$3,296 72</u>
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RECAPITULATION.

Central Park, Construction Bridge No. 26	<u>\$3,296 72</u>
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Amounting to the sum of three thousand two hundred and ninety-six dollars and seventy-two cents.

N. STRAUS, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 30, 1891.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, on motion, the same was approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners, Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 11.55 A. M. the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, 6th proximo, at 10.30 o'clock A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1892—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10.30 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

The minutes of the meetings of December 9 and 16 were read and approved.

Mr. David Milliken, Jr., appeared and was heard in relation to a communication addressed to the Department by him respecting proposed new pavement for Fifth avenue and the discontinuance of hack-stands.

On motion, the communication of Mr. Milliken was ordered placed on file.

Commissioner Straus reported verbally that no arrangement could be made with the Union Bridge Company to continue their proposal for building the proposed bridge over Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.

On motion, the proposal was rejected, and the Comptroller was requested to return to the Union Bridge Company their security deposit.

A. P. Boller, Constructing Engineer, was heard in relation to the proposed bridge, and recommended that a new form of contract be prepared to include all work for the bridge proper and also for the Jerome avenue approach thereto.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Engineer's recommendation was approved by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The following communications were received :

From the President of the American Museum of Natural History, enclosing an estimate of Muller & Wood for lining five large upright cases on the top floor of the Museum building.

On motion, an order was authorized to be issued for doing the work at an expense not to exceed \$340, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From F. E. Whitney, commending Officer John Hoey for stopping a runaway horse in the Central Park. Filed, with directions that the same be communicated to the Captain of Police.

From the Director of the Menagerie, recommending that the bird-house be repaired. Referred to the Engineer of Construction to prepare and submit specifications for doing the work.

From the Landscape Architect and the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Reporting as to a site for the Columbus Statue, and suggesting the Plaza at Fifth avenue and One Hundred and Tenth street as a suitable location. Laid over.

2d. Submitting plans for the improvement of the extension of East River Park. Referred back for amendment and an estimate of the cost.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Reporting upon a communication from the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, requesting the transfer to him of all maps, plans and papers relating to the Spuyten Duyvil Parkway.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the matter was referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion as to jurisdiction of the Parkway.

2d. Reporting upon an application from the Commissioner of Public Works for permission to lay a water-main under the Park sidewalk of One Hundred and Tenth street. Referred to the President for conference with the Commissioner of Public Works.

3d. Submitting an estimate of the cost of improving Rutgers Park.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That pursuant to the provisions of section 9 of chapter 320 of the Laws of 1887, the concurrence and approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment is respectfully requested in the improvement of the park at Rutgers slip, in accordance with the plan therefor adopted on August 26, 1891, and based upon the estimate this day submitted by the Engineer of Construction, amounting to \$23,500.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

4th. Submitting an estimate of the cost of putting up a model of the proposed design of railing for enclosing Mount Morris Park.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, an order was authorized to be issued for furnishing and putting up the model of railing at an expense not to exceed \$75, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

5th. Submitting an estimate of the cost of widening the temporary approach to McComb's Dam Bridge.

On motion, the matter was referred to Commissioner Straus with power, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Engineer in charge of the New Parks, reporting the postponement of an auction sale of apple trees, dead wood, etc., advertised for the 22d ultimo, by reason of there being no bidders present. Filed.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Reporting upon a bill of R. M. Gilmour, amounting to \$129.60, for covering pipes connected with the heating apparatus at the greenhouses in Central Park in the year 1889, and recommending its payment.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the bill of Robert M. Gilmour, amounting to one hundred and twenty-nine dollars and sixty cents, for covering pipes in the Central Park greenhouses, be and the same hereby is audited, approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, chargeable to the appropriation for "Labor Maintenance, Supplies, etc.—General Maintenance" for the year 1889.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

2d. Reporting upon bills of the Harlem River Towboat Line for services rendered in opening and closing the draw of the Madison Avenue Bridge over Harlem river in June, 1890, when the machinery of the draw was broken, and recommending the payment of the same.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That the bills of the Harlem River Towboat Line, amounting to seventy-four (\$74) dollars, for services rendered this Department in operating the draw of the Madison Avenue Bridge over Harlem river, in June, 1890, be and the same hereby are audited, approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment from the appropriation, "Harlem River Bridges—Repairs, Improvement and Maintenance," 1890.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be and hereby is respectfully requested to pass a resolution authorizing this Department to contract, without public letting, with the Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Company for telephonic service for the year ending December 31, 1892, at an expense not to exceed four thousand dollars.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioner Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The President, 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 :

Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Company, The.....	Telephonic service, 1891.....	\$2,046 89
New York Mutual Gas-light Company, The, gas.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891.....	60 75
Peirce, John, Estimate No. 7..	Met. Mus. of Art—Completion North Extension, Laws 1889	16,053 20
Tuckerman, A. L., professional services..	Met. Mus. of Art—Completion North Extension, Laws 1889	200 66
		\$18,361 50

RECAPITULATION.

Telephonic Service, 1891.....	\$2,046 89
Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance, 1891.....	60 75
Metropolitan Museum of Art, completion North Extension, Laws 1889....	16,253 86
	\$18,361 50

Amounting to the sum of eighteen thousand three hundred and sixty-one dollars and fifty cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, January 6, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The Secretary presented a statement of moneys received and deposited in the City Treasury during the month of December, which was ordered entered upon the minutes, as follows :

Statement of Moneys Received and Deposited in the City Treasury during the Month of December, 1891.

1891.	LICENSES.	
Dec 2.	J. T. Jordan.....	\$14 53
"	2. Carl Schmidt.....	12 05
"	2. Henry Castrop.....	17 17
"	3. Augustus Lawrence.....	13 45
"	4. William H. Radford.....	400 53
"	4. Isidor Isaac (Carrousel).....	37 11
"	7. William Ward.....	18 08
"	7. R. M. Watson.....	3 70

1891.

Dec.	8.	Gabe Case.....	\$174 56	
"	9.	John Lucas.....	9 97	
"	14.	E. S. Stokes.....	174 23	
"	16.	C. Schwartz.....	22 01	
"	18.	O. H. Riker (November).....	7 15	
"	18.	O. H. Riker (year 1891).....	500 00	
"	18.	Carl Schmidt.....	8 43	
			<hr/>	\$1,412 97

POUND.

Dec.	16.	Property Clerk, receipts, November.....		13 00
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GRASS.

Dec.	16.	Property Clerk, receipts, November.....		4 00
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RENTS.

Dec.	1.	George A. Adee.....	\$41 67	
"	1.	Edward McCue.....	10 00	
"	1.	Peter Woolley.....	40 00	
"	1.	A. Russie.....	4 00	
"	1.	P. T. Weir.....	30 00	
"	1.	Joseph A. Hoeveler.....	60 00	
"	2.	S. E. Marshall.....	100 00	
"	7.	R. M. Watson.....	25 00	
"	8.	P. Roosevelt.....	120 00	
"	8.	Samuel Samuels.....	60 00	
"	8.	Joseph Bromley.....	5 00	
"	8.	Thomas Byrnes.....	10 00	
"	10.	Mrs. Entz.....	48 00	
"	14.	Mrs. M. J. Doyle.....	20 00	
"	14.	F. A. Hemmer.....	150 00	
"	21.	J. M. Waterbury.....	600 00	
"	22.	W. B. Birchell.....	12 00	
"	22.	Frances May.....	30 00	
"	28.	Ann Skedgel.....	8 00	
"	29.	Anton Russie.....	4 00	
"	30.	G. A. Adee.....	41 66	
"	30.	John Livingston.....	10 00	
"	30.	C. D. Burrill.....	250 00	
"	31.	Mary Thomas.....	10 00	
"	31.	A. J. Wood.....	16 00	
			<hr/>	1,705 33

Total..... \$3,135 30

On motion, at 12.25 P. M., the Board went into executive session.

The matter of the charge of intoxication, with insubordination and with violation of rules, against Park Policeman James Ryan was considered, and, on motion, Officer Ryan was found guilty as charged and fined thirty days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The following communications were received :

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending that pay for overtime, amounting to \$15.40, be allowed William Mahar, Laborer, employed in lighting and caring for lamps on the park drives.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, pay was allowed as recommended by the Superintendent by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From H. J. Morrissey, applying for employment on the New Parks. Filed.

Matters of proposed legislation were considered, and, on motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Board approved the bills now before the Legislature, as follows :

1. Pension Fund for Park Police.
2. For improvement of Parade Ground in Van Cortlandt Park.
3. Authorizing change of location of Zoological Collection.
4. For the improvement of Parkways.
5. For the improvement of Castle Garden and surrounding grounds.
6. Providing that land damages shall not be included in the cost of the bridge to be built over Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.
7. Providing for the extension of Transverse Road railways.

Action in the following matters was postponed :

1. New bridge over Harlem river, at Third avenue.
2. Soldiers' and Sailors' Arch, at Fifty-ninth street and Fifth avenue.

Commissioner Gallup moved that the matter of the preparation of preliminary plans for the improvement of the New Parks north of the Harlem river be referred to Commissioner Dana.

Which was carried by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the salaries of the several grades of the Park Police force be and the same hereby are fixed, as follows :

Captain.....	per annum,	\$2,700 00
Surgeon.....	“	2,250 00

Sergeants	per annum,	\$1,800 00
Roundsmen.....	"	1,250 00
Mounted Men.....	"	1,200 00
Patrolmen (longer than one year in the service).....	"	<u>1,100 00</u>

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion the period to be covered by the license of Isidor Isaac & Co. for the Casino in Central Park was fixed at three years, and the license fee was fixed at five per cent. of the gross receipts, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to procure files of Senate and Assembly bills introduced during the present session of the Legislature, at an expense not to exceed \$50, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Superintendent of Parks and the Landscape Architect, reporting upon a communication from Hon. Andrew H. Green, in relation to the laying out of a public park at Fort Washington Point.

On motion, said report was ordered filed, and the Secretary was directed to transmit a copy of the same to the Board of Street Opening and Improvement, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 1.50 P. M., the executive session arose, and the Board adjourned to Wednesday, 13th instant, at 10.30 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1892—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10.30 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

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

The following communications were received :

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting a copy of the Final Estimate for this Department for the year 1892, as follows :

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places :

Salaries—To pay entirely the salaries of the President, Secretary, and Clerical Force in the Office of the Commissioners ; the Property Clerk and Clerks in his Office ; the Superintendent of Parks, and Clerk in his Office ; the Engineer of Construction ; the Meteorologist ; the Entomologist, and the Director of the Menagerie :

President.....	\$5,000 00	
Secretary, Superintendent, Engineer, Clerks, etc.....	33,000 00	
	\$38,000 00	

Police :

Salaries of Captains, Surgeons, Sergeants, Rounds- men, Patrolmen, Doormen, Special Keepers, and all persons employed in the Police Stables.....	\$332,000 00	
For Supplies and Repairs, including \$2,500 for the purchase of Horses.....	12,500 00	
	344,500 00	

Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places :

Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs—For General Maintenance, including Special Watering of Trees and Plants, also including Care and Maintenance of One Hundred and Tenth and One Hundred and Twenty-second streets, and Fifth and Morningside avenues; also including \$30,000 for improvement of the City Parks, other than Central Park..... \$323,650 00

Of which \$17,000 shall be expended for City Parks, other than Central Park, as follows :

Bowling Green Park.....	\$750 00
City Hall Park.....	500 00
Beach Street Park.....	500 00
Union Square.....	1,500 00
Stuyvesant Park.....	750 00
Tompkins Square.....	2,000 00
Washington Park.....	6,000 00
And \$5,000 in the discretion of the Park Commissioners.....	

Zoological Department—For the increase and the keeping, preservation, additions to, and exhibition of the collection in the Zoological Department of the Central Park, including repairs to buildings used for that purpose..... 25,000 00

Maintenance of Museums :

For the keeping, preservation and exhibition of the collections in the American Museum of Natural History and the Metropolitan Museum of Art..... \$30,000 00

Additional amount of \$10,000 for each Museum, upon condition that said Museums are opened on Sundays, after 12 o'clock M., or for two evenings per week, from 8 to 10 o'clock P. M., one of which evenings shall be Saturday evening..... 20,000 00

50,000 00

\$781,150 00

Entrance to Central Park at West One Hundred and Sixth Street.....	12,000 00
Improving the Plaza at One Hundred and Tenth Street and Fifth Avenue.....	13,000 00
Riverside Park and Avenue, for the Improvement and Maintenance of, including the Resurfacing of Seventy-second Street.....	27,500 00
Morningside Park, Improvement and Maintenance of.....	7,500 00

Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem river, including Surveying and Monumenting	\$50,000 00
Music—Central Park and the City Parks	25,000 00
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs, Improvements and Maintenance—	
General Maintenance	\$25,000 00
Special repairs	5,000 00
	30,000 00
Telephonic Service—For Maintaining Telephonic Service for the Department	4,000 00
Rents—Department of Public Parks	6,500 00
Fourth Avenue Public Parks—For Laying-out, Improving and Inclosing Public Parks on Fourth Avenue, between Fifty-sixth and Sixty-seventh Streets, as authorized by chapter 488, Laws of 1890	10,000 00
Surveys, Maps and Plans—For Making Surveys and Maps for Laying-out Parks or Places, for the use of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment	1,500 00
Cleaning Lakes in Central Park, subject to approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment	25,000 00
Monument to John Ericsson, in pursuance of chapter 251, Laws 1891	10,000 00
	\$1,002,150 00

Filed.

From the President of the American Museum of Natural History, inclosing an estimate of W. D. McKenzie for constructing two large centre cases and one wall-case for the sum of \$978.66.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, an order was authorized to be issued to W. D. McKenzie for doing the work at an expense not to exceed the amount of his bid, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From Isaac & Co., asking that the period covered by their license for the Casino in Central Park be extended from three to five years. Referred to the President with power.

From William Keeler, applying for a renewal of his license for boats on the Harlem Mere in Central Park.

On motion, the said license was authorized to be renewed for two years, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From R. M. Watson, applying for a five years' lease of the premises now occupied by him as a boating and fishing resort in Pelham Bay Park, and agreeing to expend the sum of \$1,000 in repairs and improvements of the premises.

On motion, said application was granted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From Cornelius Ryan, asking permission to erect and maintain a refreshment-stand in Mount Morris Park. Referred to the Superintendent of Parks for report.

From Philip H. Adee, asking permission to cut and remove ice from two small ponds in Pelham Bay Park.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the request was denied, the ice being required for public use.

The President presented a report in the matter of the application of the Commissioner of Public Works for the consent of this Department to the laying of a 48-inch water-main in One Hundred and Tenth street, and recommending that the same be granted as requested.

On motion, the recommendation of the President was approved.

From the Engineer of Construction, reporting in relation to works required to be done by contract, and also as to progress made in the preparation of plans and estimates for retaining-wall at Riverside Park.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Engineer of Construction was directed to prepare specifications for the cleaning of the Fifty-ninth street pond in Central Park and for constructing a new bottom for the same, and submit the same at the next meeting of the Board.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Recommending the sale at auction of a quantity of useless materials.

On motion, an auction sale was ordered in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation.

2d. Submitting specifications for the repairs necessary to be made to three cottages in the City Parks. Referred to the Secretary to obtain estimates for doing the work.

From James Ryan, resigning his position as a Park Policeman. Filed,

The President, 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 :

American District Telegraph Company, messenger service.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891.....		\$6 68
Consolidated Gas Company, gas.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891.....	\$113 50	
	Zoological Department, 1891..	32 25	
	Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies, 1891.....	21 62	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs, 1891.....	37 25	
		<hr/>	204 62
Mutual District Messenger Company, Limited.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891.....		78
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			<u>\$212 08</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance, 1891	\$120 96	
Zoological Department, 1891	32 25	
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies, 1891	21 62	
Police—Supplies and Repairs, 1891	37 25	
		<u>\$212 08</u>

Amounting to the sum of two hundred and twelve dollars and eight cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, January 13, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Huffman, Theo. P. & Co., forage	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891	\$956 91
Malone, P., horseshoeing	Police—Supplies and Repairs, 1891	15 00
McCloskey, Chas., rebuilding fence	Zoological Department, 1891	125 00
		<u>\$1,096 91</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance, 1891	\$956 91	
Police Supplies and Repairs, 1891	15 00	
Zoological Department, 1891	125 00	
		<u>\$1,096 91</u>

Amounting to the sum of ten hundred and ninety-six dollars and ninety-one cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, January 13, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 11.30 A.M., the Board went into executive session.

Commissioner Dana reported verbally in the matter of the use of Castle Garden by the Naval Reserve that he had witnessed a drill on 9th instant and found that the building was unsuited for

effective work, and that he should not favor any measure which would give the Garden permanently to the use of the Naval Reserve, though there was no objection to its continued temporary use.

Commissioner Gallup made a verbal report in the matter of the proposed sale of condemned horses, and recommended that, in cases where unfitness is incurable, the horses be killed by the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and used as food for the animals in the menagerie.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, the President was authorized to have the horses examined as to their condition by Dr. Roberge by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Plaza at Fifth avenue and One Hundred and Tenth street was designated as a site for the Columbus Monument.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the salary of John J. Odell, Clerk, was fixed at \$2,000 per annum, to date from the 1st instant, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

Engineer L. F. Haffen was heard in relation to proposed work on the New Parks north of the Harlem river.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the following Patrolmen be sent to the Civil Service Board for examination for the position of Roundsmen, and that the Civil Service Board be requested to conduct their examination as speedily as possible, viz. :

John Carey.	Christopher C. Collins.	John Cahill.
John V. Taylor.	John F. Purcell.	John Dolan.
Michael J. Shea.	Frank Greppner.	William J. Reed.
John W. Willson.		

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 12.30 P.M. the executive session arose and the Board adjourned to Thursday, 28th instant, at 10.30 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1892—STATED MEETING, 11 A. M.

A quorum not being present, no business was transacted.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1892.—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10.30 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of previous meetings was dispensed with.

Mr. J. V. D. Card, representing the West End Association, and Mr. Cyrus Clark, representing the Riverside Park Association, and Messrs. J. S. Sutphen, James A. Deering, W. W. Brower and others, composing a delegation from said Associations, appeared before the Board, submitted copies of resolutions adopted at a meeting held on the 15th instant, and earnestly protested against the passage of Senator Plunkitt's bill concerning the acquisition of lands by the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company at Riverside Park, and requested this Department to do all in its power to prevent the passage of the bill.

Commissioner Gallup stated that he had appeared before the Committee on Cities and vigorously protested against the passage of the bill.

Upon the suggestion of Commissioner Dana, a special meeting was fixed for Wednesday next for the purpose of hearing arguments by the railroad company in favor of the bill, the parties interested to be requested to be present on that date.

A communication from W. E. D. Stokes, remonstrating against the said bill, was received and placed on file.

Commissioner Gallup informed the delegation that the plans for the retaining-wall on the west side of Riverside Drive had been completed and would be presented to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, after the same had been approved by this Board, with request that that Board decide at once what part of the work shall be commenced and appropriate money therefor.

Messrs. Sutphen, Clark and Card were heard upon the matter.

Mr. J. V. D. Card, representing the West End Association, stated that Mr. Jesup was anxious to have the upper part of Manhattan Square improved.

The Superintendent of Parks stated that the work of improving this square was being deferred until it is definitely fixed how far the buildings are to extend.

Mr. Card also suggested that a bill be prepared and presented to the Legislature, providing that all the trees along the boulevards and avenues be placed under the control of the Park Department, with a view to their being better cared for and kept free from noxious insects. He stated that the Commissioner of Public Works informed him that he had no objection to this transfer of jurisdiction.

Mr. Card also called the attention of the Board to the necessity of widening the Eighty-sixth Street Transverse Road.

Mr. Clark was heard in relation to the need for providing light for Riverside Park.

Mr. Deering asked the Board to consider the subject of procuring authority for an additional appropriation to complete entirely Riverside Park.

The following communications were received :

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a copy of a resolution authorizing this Department to enter into a contract with the Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Company for telephone service, without public letting. Filed.

From the Comptroller, transmitting a copy of the action of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, notifying heads of Departments that no transfers will be made hereafter, except to provide for some special emergency. Filed.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, submitting a draft of bill to prohibit the construction of railroads in St. Mary's and Bronx Parks.

On motion, the bill as drafted was approved, and the President was authorized to negotiate with the Suburban Rapid Transit Company for a change of route in case they are willing to do so without legislation, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Clerk of Street Openings, advising the Department of the confirmation of the proceeding for acquiring title to the additional land required for Riverside Park as defined, laid out and established by chapter 496 of the Laws of 1885. Filed.

From the Secretary of the Gas Commission, stating that an award of contract had been made for maintaining fifteen electric lamps in East River Park, and nine lamps in Eighty-sixth street, from Third avenue to the East river. Filed.

From the President of the American Museum of Natural History, enclosing an estimate of W. D. McKenzie, for constructing two large centre cases for the top floor of the Museum building.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, an order was authorized to be issued to W. D. McKenzie for doing the work, at a cost not to exceed \$762.66, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the New York City Teachers' Association, thanking the Department for the use of the Arsenal building for their exhibition of geographical appliances. Filed.

From W. C. Church, respecting the proposed erection of the statue of John Ericsson. Filed.

From Flora Pohalski, asking the consent of the Department to the maintenance of existing projections on houses on Fifth avenue and One Hundred and Nineteenth street.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of the Department of Public Parks be and the same hereby is given to the erection and maintenance of projections on the buildings known as numbers 1980 and 1982 Fifth avenue and numbers 1 to 33 (inclusive) West One Hundred and Nineteenth street, as shown on a plan submitted ; said projections not to extend more than two feet six inches beyond the building lines.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From John R. Fellows, in relation to the proposed improvement of property in the vicinity of High Bridge Park, as shown on an accompanying map. Referred to the Engineer of Construction for report.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Reporting upon an application of the Superintendent of Fire Telegraph for permission to lay iron pipes for a subway duct at several points along Eighth avenue and Seventy-seventh street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, and recommending that the same be granted, subject to the usual conditions.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, permission was granted as recommended by the Engineer by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

2d. Reporting upon an application of Patrick McInerney for an extension of time for completing his contract for constructing an entrance and driveway on the west side of Central Park at One Hundred and Sixth street, and recommending that the same be granted.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, an extension of thirty days was granted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

3d. Submitting a time statement on the contract for mason and granite work for seven parks in Park avenue, between Sixtieth and Sixty-seventh streets. Filed.

4th. Submitting an approximate estimate of the cost of constructing retaining-walls along the westerly side of Riverside Park, between Seventy-ninth and One Hundred and Twenty-ninth streets.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Engineer's report was approved and ordered transmitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Reporting favorably upon an application of Cornelius Ryan for the privilege of maintaining a refreshment stand in Mount Morris Park.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the report of the Superintendent was approved.

2d. Submitting plans and specifications for the repair of the ladies' cottages near the Dairy in the Central Park. Referred to the Secretary to obtain estimates for doing the work.

The President, 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 :

McInerney, Patrick, Estimate No. 3.....	Regulating, etc., for entrance at 106th street, Central Park, 1891.....	\$1,480 50
Ruddy, Stephen, payment on acceptance..	Mason work for seven parks between 56th and 67th streets.....	4,690 00
Roberge, Dr., professional services.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	10 00
		<u>\$6,180 50</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Entrance to Central Park at West One Hundred and Sixth street, 1891..	\$1,480 50
Fourth avenue Public Parks laying out, etc., between Fifty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets, 1891.....	4,690 00
Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance.....	10 00
	<u>\$6,180 50</u>

Amounting to the sum of six thousand one hundred and eighty dollars and fifty cents.

A. GALLUP, }
 N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
 A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, January 28, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Bohmer, F., Jr., water-pipe, etc.....	Harlem River Bridges — Repairs and Supplies, 1891...	\$391 12
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Coffin, F. M., sheep-shears, etc	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$4 00	
	Maintenance and Construction—New Parks north of Harlem river	34 00	
			<hr/> \$38 00
Cook, V. A., telephone transmitters	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		5 00
Demarest, N. J., & Co., harness, etc	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		37 50
East River Mill and Lumber Co., The, spruce	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		69 46
Fitzgerald, Louis, Brigadier-General, manila rope, etc	Maintenance and Construction—New Parks north of Harlem river		390 79
Giffen & Loomes, Drs., professional services	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891	\$45 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs, 1891	54 00	
			<hr/> 99 00
Harmer, Hays & Co., whip	Maintenance and Construction—New Parks north of Harlem river		3 25
Hodgman Rubber Company, hip boots, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		43 57
McKesson & Robbins, tar, etc	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		8 05
Patterson Brothers, nails, etc	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$5 83	
	Maintenance and Construction—New Parks north of Harlem river	4 10	
			<hr/> 9 93
Perry, W. B. & Son, carrots, etc	Zoological Department, 1891		38 75
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal	Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies, 1891		38 00
Saddlery-Hardware Manufacturing Co., The, fur robes, etc	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		42 00
Scott, J. & W., ice	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891		18 96

Teff, Weller & Co., towels	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$6 00
Whitman Saddle Co., felt saddle cloth	Police—Supplies and Repairs	10 75
		<u>\$1,250 13</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance	\$221 41	
Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance, 1891	63 96	
Zoological Department, 1891	38 75	
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies, 1891	429 12	
Police—Supplies and Repairs, 1891	54 00	
Police Supplies and Repairs	10 75	
Maintenance and Construction—New Parks north of Harlem River	432 14	
		<u>\$1,250 13</u>

Amounting to the sum of one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars and thirteen cents.

A. GALLUP, }
 N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
 A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, January 28, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote:

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—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:

Arnold, D. P., beef	Zoological Department, 1891	\$236 25
Backus, Peter & Son, globe valves, etc.	Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies, 1891	88 00
Decker, T. W. & Son, milk	Zoological Department, 1891	21 70
Ellis, C. C. & Son, bread	Zoological Department, 1891	106 95
Fink, John, filing saws	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891	10 00
Huffman, Theo. P. & Co., oats, etc.	Police—Supplies and Repairs, 1891	\$149 57
	Zoological Department, 1891	324 80
		<u>474 37</u>
Knickerbocker Ice Co., The, ice	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891	\$63 45
	Police—Supplies and Repairs, 1891	60 15
		<u>123 60</u>

McCloskey, Charles, rebuilding stoop, etc.	Zoological Department, 1891.	\$100 00
McMurray, J. F., daily papers	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891	22 47
Milliken, James H., sawdust	Zoological Department, 1891..	15 00
Mullin, P., horseshoeing	Police—Supplies and Repairs, 1891	15 00
Muller & Wood, lining wall case, etc.	Am. Mus. Nat. History, Enlargement of	340 00
New T. Mfg. Co., tin caps.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891	4 75
O'Brien, John J., coal	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891	89 25
O'Brien, John J., coal	Morningside Park — Improvement of	5 00
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal	Harlem River Bridges — Repairs and Supplies, 1891..	95 00
Ruhe, Louis, bird food	Zoological Department, 1891.	18 00
Stevens, John W., apples	Zoological Department, 1891.	02 25
Thorburn, James M. & Co., hemp seed	Zoological Department, 1891.	3 50
Tyndale, B. S., fish	Zoological Department, 1891.	38 75
Ward, Thomas, coal	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891	\$55 00
	Riverside Park and Ave., Improvement and Maintenance of, 1891	5 00
		60 00
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		\$1,959 84

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance, 1891	\$244 92
Zoological Department, 1891	957 20
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies, 1891	183 00
Police—Supplies and Repairs, 1891	224 72
Riverside Park and Avenue, Improvement and Maintenance of, etc., 1891	5 00
American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of, Laws of 1887	340 00
Morningside Park, Improvement of	5 00
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	\$1,959 84

Amounting to the sum of one thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine dollars and eighty-four cents.

A. GALLUP,
PAUL DANA. } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 12.10 P. M., the Board went into executive session.

The following communications were received :

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Recommending an allowance of pay to two horseshoers for four hours' overtime each.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, pay for overtime was allowed as recommended by the Superintendent of Parks, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

2d. Recommending the employment of a blacksmith. Filed.

From the Engineer in charge of the New Parks north of Harlem river, in relation to the pay of the Foreman employed thereon. Filed.

From Mrs. A. T. Reynolds, asking to be allowed pay for caring for the mansion in Claremont Park. Denied.

From Andrew J. McNulty, Park Policeman, asking to be allowed pay for the period of his suspension while under arrest. Allowed.

From F. P. Roberge, reporting upon the condition of eight of the horses in the park stables proposed to be disposed of, with recommendations as to their treatment.

On motion, the recommendations contained in the report were approved, with directions that estimates be obtained for treating the horses in the manner recommended.

From the Captain of Police, reporting upon a communication from Mrs. Bishop offering to place book-cases and books in the park police stations for the use of police force.

On motion, Mrs. Bishop's offer was accepted.

From the Engineer of Construction, submitting specifications for cleaning the Fifty-ninth street lake in Central Park, and also for constructing a concrete bottom for a portion of the same, together with an estimate of the cost.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for action, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From F. Lieboldt, asking to be allowed compensation for a concert given in Tompkins Square in the season of 1890. Filed, with directions that reply be made that there is no available appropriation from which to pay the claim.

The President presented the following report :

The President reports as follows :

The bills heretofore approved by the Board have been introduced and are again laid before the Board as printed. The bill concerning the payment of land damages for the Macomb's Dam Bridge and approaches has passed the Assembly and Senate, and letters have been written to the members of the Legislature urging them to pass the other bills as speedily as possible.

There are laid before the Board plans, specifications and estimates for the cleaning and asphalt-ing of the pond at Fifty-ninth street, with alternative plans and specifications for filling up the westerly arm of it, in which there is no circulation and where the water is usually more stagnant than in the other parts of the pond.

There are also laid before the Board plans, specifications and estimates for the retaining-wall on the west side of Riverside Drive. This work has been under way for over a year, and the magni-tude of the work has prevented the Engineer from completing them before. It is of the utmost consequence that the plans and specifications be approved and sent before the Board of Estimate and Apportionment as speedily as possible, as the bank is being washed away rapidly.

A complaint having been received from the Superintendent that the contractor in charge of the work on the Reservoir in Central Park has been careless in the matter of blasting, and that on last Saturday a large piece of rock was thrown through the roof of the Department shops, I communi-cated with the Commissioner of Public Works, requesting him to admonish the contractor, in order that such carelessness might not be repeated.

An application is herewith submitted from Officer Andrew J. McNulty, who was suspended from duty on November 21, charged with having committed a rape in the Central Park, for pay during such suspension. His suspension seemed the proper course to pursue under the circum-stances. The Department has not the power, however, to withhold pay during the time of such suspension, and I recommend that his request be complied with, he having been tried and acquitted.

Pursuant to a suggestion in the last message of his Honor the Mayor to the Board of Alder-men, I wrote a letter to the Suburban Rapid Transit Company, of which a copy is presented to the Board for its consideration. The bill referred to in that letter is also laid before the Board for such action as may be deemed proper. It is not necessary to remind the Board of the absolute necessity for preserving St. Mary's and Bronx Parks from the utter destruction of some of their most beautiful features, which would be caused by the erection of an elevated railroad structure across them upon the route laid out by the Suburban Rapid Transit Company prior to the acquisition of those lands for park purposes.

The subject of electric lights in Central Park has from time to time received the attention of this Department. The experimental lights whose erection this Department authorized some time ago by the manufacturers have not yet been put up. I recommend that this Board consider the subject of lighting the drives in Central Park and Riverside Drive with electric lights, to the end that an application may be made to the Gas Commission for the establishment thereof, in case such course seems wise.

The Board then proceeded to consider the evidence taken in the trials of Park Policemen:

James D. Cotter, charged with neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Albert W. McKean, charged with being absent from roll-call, was acquitted.

John McCarthy, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged, and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Henry H. Andereya, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Thomas F. Thompson, charged with being absent from roll-call, was acquitted.

Edward J. Dougherty, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Edward J. Dougherty, charged with neglect of duty and intoxication, was found guilty as charged and fined ten days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William S. Ryerson, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged, and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Francis J. McGuire, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was acquitted.

Joseph F. Kirby, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty and reprimanded.

Bernard Bray, charged with not properly patrolling, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Patrick McGlone, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as reprimanded.

Thomas Dalton, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty as charged, and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Charles Grimm, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

James McKeagney, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Michael J. Burke, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Patrick Linehan, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Patrick Linehan, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Robert R. Craig, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Charles E. Bertram, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Thomas F. Marrow, charged with being absent from roll-call, was acquitted.

William J. Reed, charged with being absent from roll-call, was acquitted.

Cornelius J. Mulvey, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Cornelius J. Mulvey, charged with being off post, was found guilty and reprimanded.

George A. Mott, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

George A. Mott, charged with being off post, was found guilty and reprimanded.

John E. Hocter, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was acquitted.

John E. Hoctor, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty and reprimanded.

John E. Hoctor, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

John E. Hoctor, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Christopher F. McMahon, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William E. Niven, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was acquitted.

On motion, at 1.10 P.M., the executive session arose and the Board adjourned to Wednesday, February 3, at 10.30 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1892—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10.30 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

Upon invitation from this Department parties interested in the bill now before the Legislature, concerning the occupation of a portion of Riverside Park for railroad purposes, and desiring to be heard, appeared before the Board.

Mr. Frank Loomis, representing the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, was heard in favor of the approval of said bill by the Board.

A committee of the West End Association, consisting of Messrs. Cyrus Clark, J. V. D. Card, James A. Deering, J. S. Sutphen, Charles De Hart Brower, W. W. Brower, George Lowther, W. J. Gibbons, Franklin Robinson, George F. Johnson, and Mr. O'Connor and others were heard in opposition.

Messrs. Morris K. Jesup and J. V. D. Card, representing the West End Association, appeared and asked that steps be taken for the improvement of Manhattan Square, adjoining the Museum of Natural History, whereupon the matter was referred to the Superintendent, the Landscape Architect and the Engineer of Construction, with instructions to prepare plans for such improvement and submit the same to the Board as soon as possible.

Mr. Cyrus Clark, representing the West End Association, said that he had investigated the matter of placing electric-lights on Riverside Drive, but that he anticipated opposition to the erection of poles on the part of the Mayor. He stated that he would confer with the Mayor upon the subject.

The minutes of the meetings of December 23 and 30, and January 6 and 13, were read and approved.

On motion, at 11.50 A. M., the Board went into executive session.

The following communications were received :

From Robert Russell Booth, remonstrating against the concession of any part of the Riverside Park to the uses of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad. Filed.

From Evelyn Holmes, commending Officer Herrlich, for capturing a thief in Washington Square on 29th ultimo. Filed, with directions that the same be communicated to the Captain of Police.

From Carl H. Schultz, applying for a renewal of his license to sell mineral waters at the mineral spring in Central Park. Referred to Commissioner Straus with power.

From the Director of the Menagerie, enclosing a requisition for renting disinfecting machine for use in the Menagerie. Referred to the President with power.

From L. F. Haffen, Engineer in charge of the New Parks, north of Harlem river, reporting upon the petition of Morris & Steele, in relation to placing a tide-gate at the western side of the culvert or waterway under the bridge at Broadway, near the southerly line of Van Cortlandt Park. Filed.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Submitting specifications for constructing mason and granite work for four parks in Park avenue, between Fifty-sixth and Sixtieth streets, and also for erecting an iron railing around two parks on said avenue, one located between Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth and the other between Sixty-fifth and Sixty-sixth streets.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the specifications for work on the Park Avenue Parks this day submitted by the Engineer of Construction be approved and ordered printed, and when 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

2d. Submitting specifications for completing the entrance and driveway on the west side of Central Park at One Hundred and Sixth street.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the specifications this day received for completing the park entrance at West One Hundred and Sixth street be approved and ordered printed, and when 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From Joseph Henschel, Laborer on the New Parks, applying for an increase of pay. Filed.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending that Stuyvesant Square be opened to the public at six o'clock in the morning. Approved.

From D. B. Ogden in relation to Assembly Bill No. 55, amending chapter 407 of the Laws of 1888, so as to provide for the extension of Transverse Road railways to connect with other surface railways. Referred to the President for conference.

The President, 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 :

Bullinger, E. W., "Monitor Guide"	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		\$6 00
Dunham, Thomas C., oils, paints, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		202 76
Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank	Rents and Repairs, 1891	\$1,083 33	
	Rents and Repairs, 1892	541 67	
		<hr/>	1,625 00
Fiss & Doerr, horses	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$575 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs	250 00	
		<hr/>	825 00
Harrison, M. & Son, repairs to sheds	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891		125 00
McKenzie, William D., centre and wall cases, Laws 1887	American Museum of Natural History, enlargement of		978 66
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			\$3,762 42

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance	\$783 76
Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance, 1891	125 00
Rents and Repairs	541 67
Rents and Repairs, 1891	1,083 33
Police—Supplies and Repairs	250 00
American Museum of Natural History, Enlargement of, Laws 1887	978 66
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	\$3,762 42

Amounting to the sum of three thousand seven hundred and sixty-two dollars and forty-two cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, February 3, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—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 :

New York Mutual Gas-light Co. (The), gas..Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$65 88
Wales, Salem H., salaries, etc., January ... Maintenance—Museums.....	3,552 83
	\$3,618 71

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$65 88
Maintenance—Museums.....	3,552 83
	\$3,618 71

Amounting to the sum of three thousand six hundred and eighteen dollars and seventy-one cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, February 3, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The Secretary presented a statement of moneys received and deposited in the City Treasury during the month of January, which was ordered entered upon the minutes, as follows :

Statement of Moneys Deposited in the City Treasury during the of Month of January, 1892.

LICENSES.

1892.

Jan. 4. W. J. Elliott.....	\$100 00
“ 4. J. T. Jordan.....	10 79
“ 6. Henry Castrop.....	14 02
“ 8. William Ward.....	9 66
“ 8. W. H. Radford.....	39 ⁸ 15
“ 8. Isidor Isaac.....	29 65
“ 12. Gabe Case.....	125 06
“ 12. E. S. Stokes.....	117 48
“ 20. O. H. Riker.....	4 64
“ 25. Charles Schwarz.....	18 65
	\$828 10

POUND.

Jan. 11. Property Clerk, receipts, December.....	12 00
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RENTS.

1892.

Jan. 4. S. E. Marshall	\$100 00
“ 6. R. M. Watson	25 00
“ 13. James E. Connor	30 00
“ 14. Joseph A. Hoveler	60 00
“ 14. Commissioners Estimate and Assessment	100 00
“ 14. James A. McElhinney	150 00
“ 21. Commissioners Estimate and Assessment	100 00
“ 21. Commissioners Estimate and Assessment	100 00
“ 25. J. H. Keller	32 00
“ 28. Commissioners Estimate and Assessment	100 00
	\$797 00
Total	\$1,637 10

Commissioner Dana offered the following :

Resolved, That this Board is opposed to Senate Bill No. 56, empowering the Board to grant a revocable license to the New York Central Railroad to occupy more ground in the southern end of Riverside Park, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Chairman of the Committees on Cities in both Houses of the Legislature.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, Commissioner Dana was empowered to notify the Labor Bureau, now occupying a portion of Castle Garden, to vacate the same on or before the 10th instant.

From the Superintendent of Parks, forwarding a requisition for a quantity of stable manure for use on Madison and Stuyvesant Squares and City Hall Park.

On motion, the President was authorized to approve said requisition.

The Secretary submitted the following estimates for making necessary repairs to the bird house at the Menagerie and Cottages in several City parks :

For Repairs to Bird House.

McGuire & Sloane	\$855 00
Charles McCloskey	720 00
E. H. Treadwell & Co.	797 00
John Brennan	767 00
B. Ryan	685 00

For Repairs to Union Square Cottage.

	CARPENTER WORK.	PAINTING.
McGuire & Sloane.....	\$375 00	\$450 00
Charles McCloskey.....	210 00	.....
M. Breen.....	.....	298 00
E. H. Treadwell & Co.....	197 00	300 00
B. Ryan.....	160 00	.....

For Repairs to Tompkins Square Cottage.

	CARPENTER AND PLUMBING WORK.	PAINTING.
McGuire & Sloane.....	\$1,970 00	\$300 00
Charles McCloskey.....	750 00	.....
M. Breen.....	.....	222 00
E. H. Treadwell & Co.....	1,076 00	250 00
John McCarron.....	945 00	224 00
John Brennan.....	745 00	.....
B. Ryan.....	850 00	.....

For Repairs to Battery Park Cottage.

	CARPENTER AND PLUMBING WORK.	PAINTING.
McGuire & Sloane.....	\$750 00	\$350 00
Charles McCloskey.....	385 00	.....
M. Breen.....	.....	141 00
E. H. Treadwell & Co.....	573 00	150 00
John McCarron.....	474 00	145 00
John Brennan.....	405 00	.....
B. Ryan.....	400 00	.....

On motion, the estimates were referred to the President with power.

The President presented the following report :

The President reports as follows :

There are herewith laid before the Board copies of reports from the various city departments showing a great saving in the expense of lighting, due to the use of some form of gas regulator.

It is recommended that a trial of this apparatus be given, in order that the Department may test its efficiency.

There are in the Department doing work in the Central and City Parks, four Assistant Foremen. They have been employed about a year and their record seems to warrant a change of their grade from Assistant Foreman to Foreman, but without any increase of pay. I recommend that this change of designation be made.

Concerning the matter of the erection of a temporary tide-gate near the outlet of Tibbett's Brook at the southerly end of Van Cortlandt Park, a detailed report with a map of the locality is herewith presented by the Engineer in charge for your consideration.

I submit to the Board a memorandum of changes suggested in the route of the Suburban Railroad, in order to avoid passing through St. Mary's and Bronx Parks.

From North Third avenue, turn into Westchester avenue at One Hundred and Fiftieth street; thence up Westchester avenue to Boston road; thence north up the Boston road to West Farms, through the easterly edge of Bronx Park to the Bronx river, crossing just south of the Bleach; thence up Boston road northeast to the easterly boundary of the park; thence northerly along the Boston road to the northerly edge of the Pelham Parkway.

A requisition from the Superintendent for the purchase of manure is laid before the Board. The necessity for making this large expenditure has arisen from the fact that last year our funds would not allow us to construct a manure pit, and the former practice of composting manure in exposed places in the park was discontinued. The Engineer has already prepared plans for a suitable pit, and bids therefor will be submitted to the Board when obtained.

On motion, at 12.45 P. M., the executive session arose, and the Board adjourned to Wednesday, 10th instant, at 10.30 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1892—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10.30 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen.

On motion, Commissioner Dana was called to the chair.

On motion, the opening of proposals was postponed until 12 o'clock M.

Commissioner Dana, to whom the matter had been referred, made a verbal report in relation to the designs for a drinking-fountain to be presented to the City by Mrs. Graydon, and recommended that the design submitted and marked "A," be approved.

On motion, the recommendation of Commissioner Dana was approved by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion of Commissioner Straus, the matter of the location of the fountain was referred to Commissioner Dana with power.

At the hour of twelve o'clock Mr. E. G. Marsh, representing 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 advertisements duly published in the CITY RECORD for the erection of parapet walls, bronze railings, etc., for inclosing the Morningside Park along One Hundred and Tenth street, and the avenue on the westerly side of the Park, from the entrance at Manhattan avenue to a point 21½ feet westerly from One Hundred and Twenty-second street entrance.

Bidders.	Amount.
John J. Hopper.....	\$73,837 00
McGrath & Giblein.....	98,550 00
Kidney & Ford.....	88,900 00
Robert Hanna.....	98,000 00
Joseph Moore.....	74,000 00
Booth Bros. & Hurricane Isle Granite Co.....	85,168 00

The following communications were received :

From the West End Association, protesting against the passage of Senate Bill No. 56, providing for the cession of a portion of Riverside Park to the use of the N. Y. Central & Hudson River Railroad. Filed.

From the Naval Reserve Association, petitioning for the permanent use of Castle Garden as an armory. Filed.

From the Horace Greeley Statue Committee in relation to the selection of a site for the statue of Horace Greeley on the parks.

On motion of Commissioner Straus, the Superintendent of Parks was directed to report suitable locations for a site other than those suggested by the Committee, and Commissioner Dana was appointed a committee to confer with the "Tribune" relative thereto.

From the managing editor of the "Morning Journal," surrendering the permit issued by this Department for the use of Castle Garden for free concerts.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, it was ordered that no reimbursement be made for the heating apparatus placed in Castle Garden, and that the "Morning Journal" be directed to remove the chairs therefrom.

From Henry R. Hoyt, asking permission to erect a bay window on his house on Fifth avenue, between Seventy-fourth and Seventy-fifth streets. Laid over.

From Richard M. Hunt, asking permission to erect a roof over the present stoop projection on the dwelling of Ogden Mills at the southeast corner of Fifth avenue and Sixty-ninth street.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of the Department be and the same hereby is given to the construction of a roof over the existing stoop of the dwelling of Ogden Mills, located at the southeast corner of Fifth avenue and Sixty-ninth street, said roof not to extend any greater distance beyond the house line than the present stoop projection, as shown on a plan submitted.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioner Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

From Walker & Lawson, asking permission to erect a bay window on the premises on the east side of Riverside Drive, thirty-six feet north of One Hundred and Fourth street. Laid over.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Asking information as to the disposition to be made of several horses reported as unfit for work.

On motion of Commissioner Strauss, an expenditure, not to exceed \$75, was authorized for the treatment of the horses referred to by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

2d. Recommending the sale of two horses impounded on the Central Park.

On motion, the impounded horses were ordered sold at public auction.

3d. Reporting upon an application of the Broadway Cable Road for permission to build a switch on the sidewalk adjoining Bowling Green. Referred back to the Superintendent for additional report.

4th. Recommending that pay for overtime, amounting to \$23.92, be allowed to men working on the park lakes.

On motion, pay was allowed, as recommended by the Superintendent, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

5th. Recommending the employment of three competent gardeners.

On motion, the employment of three gardeners was authorized by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

From the Landscape Architect and the Superintendent of Parks, reporting relative to a site for the Ericsson statue, and recommending a locality near the Inventors' Gate in Central Park. Referred back, with directions to examine and report as to a suitable site in Battery Park or on the river front.

Commissioner Dana offered the following :

Resolved, That the President be and he hereby is authorized to enter into an agreement for and on behalf of the Department with the Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Company for furnishing telephonic service for the year 1892, at a cost not exceeding four thousand dollars.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That the contract for which proposals have been this day received for parapet walls, bronze railings, etc., on Morningside Park, be awarded to John J. Hopper, the lowest bidder ; that his proposal be sent to the Comptroller for approval of the sureties thereon, and when so approved, that the President be authorized to sign the contract for and on behalf of the Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

Commissioner Straus, 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 :

Lanier, Charles, Treasurer, salaries, etc.,

American Museum Natural History,

January..... Maintenance—Museums..... \$2,762 59

RECAPITULATION.

Maintenance—Museums..... \$2,762 59

Amounting to the sum of two thousand seven hundred and sixty-two dollars and fifty-nine cents.

N. STRAUS, } Auditing
A. B. TAPPEN, } Committee.

NEW YORK, February 10, 1892.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, on motion, the same was approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Straus, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 1 P. M., the Board adjourned to Wednesday, 17th instant, at 10.30 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1892—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10.30 A. M.

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Present—Commissioners Gallup, (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

On motion, the reading of minutes of previous meetings was dispensed with.

Messrs. Ashley W. Cole and J. S. Hartley, representing the Ericsson Monument Committee, were heard in relation to a site for the statue of Ericsson, and expressed a desire for a location at Madison square, or near the Inventor's Gate in Central Park.

R. M. Caffall appeared and requested that action be taken for the treatment of the Obelisk for its preservation.

On motion, the matter was referred to Commissioner Dana.

The President submitted the plans showing land required for approaches to the bridge over Harlem river, at Eighth avenue, amended after conference with the Engineer of the New York and Northern Railroad Company in compliance with the directions of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement.

On motion, the plans as amended were approved and ordered forwarded to the Board of Street Opening and Improvement.

Bills now before the Legislature were taken up and considered, as follows :

Senate Bill No. 149, to provide for the equipping and fitting up of the north extension of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, was approved.

Assembly Bill No. 648, to authorize the improvement of Van Cortlandt Park by changing the location of existing railway routes therein, was approved.

Assembly Bill No. 615, to provide for the extension of the boundaries of Riverside Park and an exterior street along the Hudson river adjacent thereto, was laid over.

The President presented the following report :

The President reports as follows :

Pursuant to the authority given me by the Board at the meeting held on the 13th day of January, 1892, I have executed a license to Isidor Isaac & Co., to occupy the Casino and Dairy for five years.

The following bills have been passed and signed :

1. The bill providing that no part of the amount appropriated for the construction of the Macomb's Dam Bridge shall be used to pay land damages.

2. The bill authorizing the expenditure of \$150,000 for an aquarium at Castle Garden.

The bill making appropriations to lay out the Parkways has passed the Senate.

Resolutions are laid before the Board, adopted by the Washington Heights Progressive Association, concerning the laying out of Highbridge Park. As this park lies above One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, doubtless an application will have to be made to the Legislature on behalf of this Department and of the Board of Estimate, providing for the issue of bonds therefor.

A certificate that Arthur Herbert, of the Engineering Force, has passed his examination for promotion to the position of Transitman, is herewith enclosed, and I recommend that, in view of his faithful and efficient service, he receive such promotion, without increase of pay, however, for the present.

Commissioner Dana reported that the proposed location at Battery Park for a drinking fountain was satisfactory to Mrs. Graydon.

On motion, the location referred to by Commissioner Dana, and shown on a plan submitted by the Landscape Architect and Superintendent of Parks, dated April 22, 1891, was approved.

The President, 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 :

Abeel Brothers, horseshoe iron.	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	\$16 88
Barron, James S., & Co., mats, brooms, etc.	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	\$9 75
	Maintenance and Construction	
	New Parks north of Harlem	
	river	6 54
	Labor, Maint.—General Main-	
	tenance	231 80
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		248 09
Colwell Lead Co., gas union.	Harlem River Bridges—Re-	
	pairs and Supplies.	43
Colgate & Co., soap.	Labo., Maint.—General Main-	
	tenance.	1 45

Consolidated Gas Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$138 88	
	Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs	19 87	
	Zoological Department.....	36 62	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	37 50	\$232 87
Curley, M., apron straps, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		8 00
Demarest, N. J., & Co., harness, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		42 00
Doty, Thomas H., hay, etc.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs..		46 82
East River Mill and Lumber Company, The spruce	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		148 50
Fayerweather & Ladew, belting.....	Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs		43 45
Force, W. A., & Co., brands.....	Maintenance and Construction New Parks north of Harlem river.....		9 70
Haggerty, J. Henry, oil.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$10 30	
	Maintenance and Construction New Parks north of Harlem river.....	6 20	16 50
Heylman, Charles, hay, etc.....	Maintenance and Construction New Parks north of Harlem river.....		36 74
Manhattan Supply Co., The, shovels.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		45 00
Monahan, John, clipping horses.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		12 50
McKesson & Robbins, oil tar.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.		1 00
Mott, J. L., Iron Works, The, grate, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$90 25	
	Maintenance and Construction New Parks north of Harlem river.....	7 65	97 90
Porter's, William, Sons, lamps.....	Maintenance and Construction New Parks north of Harlem river.....	\$18 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs	15 00	33 00

Rehm & Co., ensign, etc.....	Riverside Park and Avenue Improvement and Maintenance.....	\$18 00	
	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	7 50	
			\$25 50
Saddlery Hardware Manufacturing Co., The, blankets.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....		60 00
Thorn, T. & W., Co., hay, etc.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....		64 40
Thorburn, James M., & Co., hempseed.....	Zoological Department.....		7 00
Taussig, F., & Co., chloro-naphtholeum.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....		73 50
Tefft, Weller & Co., towels.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....		12 00
Wyckoff, Seamans & Benedict, typewriter.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....		35 00
			<u>\$1,318 23</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$916 68
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	191 35
Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs.....	63 75
Zoological Department.....	43 62
Riverside Park and Avenue—Improvement and Maintenance of, etc.....	18 00
New Parks north of Harlem River, Maintenance and Construction of.....	84 83
	<u>\$1,318 23</u>

Amounting to the sum of one thousand three hundred and eighteen dollars and twenty-three cents.

A. GALLUP, }
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, February 17, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Haffen, Louis F., petty disbursements.....	Care and Maintenance of New Parks, north Harlem river, 1891.....	\$32 20
Haffen, Louis F., petty disbursements.....	Maintenance and construction of New Parks, north Harlem river, etc.....	68 87

Mason, F. H. D., petty disbursements.	Labor Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891.	\$117 02	
	Zoological Department, 1891.	19 41	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs, 1891.	39 90	
			\$176 33
Mason, F. H. D., petty disbursements.	Labor Maint.—General Maintenance.	\$127 53	
	Zoological Department.	28 13	
	Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs.	2 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	7 05	
			164 71
			\$442 11

RECAPITULATION.

Labor Maintenance—General Maintenance, 1891.	\$117 02	
Labor Maintenance—General Maintenance.	127 53	
Zoological Department, 1891.	19 41	
Zoological Department.	28 13	
Police—Supplies and Repairs, 1891.	39 90	
Police—Supplies and Repairs.	7 05	
Care and Maintenance of New Parks north Harlem River, 1891.	32 20	
Maintenance and Construction of New Parks, north Harlem River, etc.	68 87	
Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs.	2 00	
		\$442 11

Amounting to the sum of four hundred and forty-two dollars and eleven cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, February 17, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote:

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Anchor Post Co., The, posts.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.	\$437 50
Bowne, Thomas B., & Son, coal.	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	10 00
Dunham, Thomas C., potash, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.	2 80
Ellis, C. C., & Son, bread.	Zoological Department.	106 95

Gates, Church E., & Co., spruce	Maintenance and Construction New Parks north Harlem river, etc.		\$16 00
Haggerty, J. Henry, oil	Harlem River Bridges—Spe- cial Repairs.		29 85
Huffman, Theodore P., & Co., salt, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	\$2 75	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	3 00	
			5 75
Markey, Philip, coal	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance, 1891.		285 00
Markey, Philip, coal	Zoological Department.	\$118 75	
	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	47 50	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	71 25	
			237 50
Manhattan Supply Co., The, rubber hose	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance		24 60
McKenzie, William D., centre cases, 1887	Am. Mus. Nat. History, En- largement of.		726 66
O'Brien, John J., coal	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	\$306 25	
	Morningside Park, Improve- ment and Maintenance of.	5 00	
			311 25
Porter, William Sons, lanterns, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance		106 00
Smith, Lawrence F., successor to Smith, Clifford E., spokes, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance		32 10
Thorburn, James M., & Co., plants	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance		16 70
Ward, Thomas, coal	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	\$138 25	
	Riverside Park and Avenue, Improvement and Mainte- nance of.	15 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	24 75	
			178 00
Yellow Pine Co., yellow pine	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance		128 05
			<u>\$2,654 71</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance	\$1,242 50
Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance, 1891.....	285 00
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	109 00
Zoological Department.....	225 70
Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs.....	29 85
Morningside Park, Improvement and Maintenance of, etc.....	5 00
Riverside Park and Avenue, Improvement and Maintenance of, etc.....	15 00
Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem river, etc..	16 00
American Museum of Natural History, Enlargement of, Laws 1887.....	726 66
	\$2,654 71

Amounting to the sum of two thousand six hundred and fifty-four dollars and seventy-one cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, February 17, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on, separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the bill of Fred. H. Parson, amounting to one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,150) for premium on insurance policy of the Hartford Fire Insurance Company, on certain buildings in the New Parks north of Harlem river, be and the same hereby is audited, approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The following communications were received :

From the Mayor, enclosing a copy of resolutions adopted by the Washington Heights Progressive Association in relation to improvements at Washington Heights. Filed.

From the Washington Heights Progressive Association, transmitting another copy of the same resolutions. Filed.

From the Maritime Association of the Port of New York, favoring the permanent use of Castle Garden by the Naval Reserve Association and also as a Naval Museum. Referred to Commissioner Dana.

From Dr. L. Barkan, applying for permission to erect and maintain a milk-cure establishment in Central Park. Referred to Commissioner Straus.

From the Landscape Architect and the Superintendent of Parks, submitting a plan for the improvement of the grounds around Castle Garden.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, said plan was approved by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Captain and the Surgeon of Police, reporting the death on the 15th instant of Park Policeman John F. Murphy. Filed.

Commissioner Gallup called up the application of Henry R. Hoyt, laid over on 10th instant, and offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department be and the same hereby is given to the erection of a projecting window on the dwelling of Henry R. Hoyt, on Fifth avenue, between Seventy-fourth and Seventy-fifth streets, said window not to extend more than four feet beyond the house line, as shown on a plan submitted.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Submitting a plan for placing posts across the roadway crossing Washington Square, on the westerly side of the fountain, with an estimate of the cost.

On motion, said plan was approved, and the Secretary was directed to procure estimates for doing the work.

2d. Reporting an approximate estimate of the cost of completing the improvement of Riverside Park, between Seventy-ninth and One Hundred and Twenty-ninth streets. Filed.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Recommending the acceptance of offers of J. Slattery and D. Canavan to furnish mould free of charge on Riverside Park.

On motion, the Superintendent was authorized to accept the mould.

2d. Making an additional report upon the application of the Broadway Cable Road Company to place a switch on the sidewalk adjoining Bowling Green.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, permission was granted to construct the switch, subject to revocation at the pleasure of the Board.

On motion, at 11.45 A. M., the Board went into executive session.

The following communications were received :

From the Secretary of the Civil Service Board, reporting Arthur Herbert as eligible for promotion from the grade of Leveler to that of Transitman.

On motion, the designation of Arthur Herbert was changed from Leveler to Transitman.

From the Captain of Police, reporting favorably upon the probationary service of persons employed as Doormen.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

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

John J. Dawson.	Michael Delury.	Bartholomew Walsh.
Henry Buckley.	Peter Connolly.	Baer Praeger.
Daniel Heaney.	Andrew Bane.	Michael J. Hackett.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From Dr. F. P. Roberge, reporting that he had examined five additional horses at the Park stables, recommending the sale of one bay horse and stating that the other four could be made practically sound by treatment.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, the treatment of the four horses, as recommended, was authorized at an expense, including shoeing for four months, of \$60, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The Board then proceeded to consider evidence taken in the trials of Park Policemen :

Max Lasky, charged with neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Michael J. Nolan, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Michael J. Nolan, charged with neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

James P. Larkins, charged with violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Michael J. Burke, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was excused.

William S. Ryerson, charged with insubordination and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined five days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Charles B. Britton, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Patrick Linehan, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Selah T. Terwilliger, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Robert R. Craig, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Robert R. Craig, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Adolf Holtje, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

James Whalen, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Charles Grimm, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay and cautioned by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

David Lyons, charged with not properly patrolling, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Richard Fitzgerald, charged with being off post, was found guilty and reprimanded.

Michael F. Tallon, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Michael F. Tallon, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Edward O'Loughlin, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Francis J. McGuire, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William F. Hollahan, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined five days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William F. Holahan, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined ten days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 12.10 P. M., the executive session arose, and the Board adjourned to Wednesday, 24th instant, at 10.30 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1892—ADJOURNED MEETING, 10.30 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, permission was granted John J. McComb to erect a temporary scaffold near Fifty-ninth street in Central Park, for the purpose of photographing the Navarro apartment buildings on Fifty-ninth street, subject to proper restrictions.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the Landscape Architect and the Superintendent of Parks were directed to make report forthwith as to the most suitable and convenient location for an entrance for pedestrians to the Central Park, in the vicinity of Fifth avenue and Eighty-sixth street; and also as to the advisability of constructing a carrousel at a suitable spot in the park, near One Hundred and Sixth street and south of the Harlem Meer, with an estimate of the cost.

The President presented a report of the transactions of the Department during the quarter ending September 30, 1891, which was ordered transmitted to his Honor the Mayor, and also printed as a document of the Board.

(See Document No. 123.)

The following communications were received:

From Maurice S. Wormser, in behalf of the owners of No. 836 Fifth avenue, and No. 2 East Sixty-fifth street, protesting against the erection of a stable on the rear end of the lot at the south-east corner of Fifth avenue and Sixty-fifth street.

On motion, it was ordered that reply be made to Mr. Wormser that this Board has no jurisdiction in the matter.

From William Durland, asking that the Mounted Park Police be allowed to take part in a horse show at his riding academy on 29th proximo. Referred to the President with power.

From L. F. Haffen, Engineer in charge of the new parks north of Harlem river, recommending a reduction of the amount to be paid by Deiser & Young for the privilege of cutting ice on Bronx Park, on account of the condition of the ice-houses and the limited ice area used by them.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the amount to be paid by Deiser & Young was fixed at \$100, upon condition that that sum be paid at once and in full, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Landscape Architect and the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Reporting in relation to a site for the statue of Ericsson at Battery Park, shown on an accompanying plan.

On motion, the location shown on the plan submitted and colored red was approved and designated as a site for the statue.

2d. Reporting in relation to the selection of a site for the statue of Horace Greeley to be erected on the parks.

Commissioner Dana reported verbally that he had conferred with the "Tribune" and had learned that the statue of Greeley now located in front of the Tribune Building would probably be allowed to remain permanently in its present position. The matter was then laid over.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Recommending the acceptance of an offer of John Ellard to furnish and deliver horse manure on the Central Park, free of charge.

On motion, the Superintendent was authorized to accept the manure as offered.

2d. Recommending the acceptance of an offer of Thomas Shannon to furnish and deliver a quantity of mould free of charge on Riverside Park.

On motion, the Superintendent was authorized to accept the mould.

3d. Enclosing a requisition for labor and materials necessary to excavate thirty tree-holes on Eighth avenue, commencing at Ninety-sixth street.

On motion, the President was authorized to approve said requisition by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Gallup called up the application of Walker & Lawson for permission to erect a bay window on a dwelling to be erected on Riverside Drive, north of One Hundred and Fourth street, and offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department be and the same hereby is given to the erection of a projecting window on a dwelling owned by Walker & Lawson, on the easterly side of Riverside Drive, thirty-six feet north of One Hundred and Fourth street ; said window not to extend more than two feet beyond the building line, as shown on a plan submitted.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen— 4.

The President presented the following report :

The President reports as follows :

Assembly Bill No. 593 is herewith submitted to the Board for its consideration. The bill in substance provides that crosstown elevated roads may be built in any city of the State and over any portions of the city theretofore exempted. This will permit the construction of an elevated road across Washington Park, or any of the city parks. Although the purpose of the bill is merely to connect with the new bridge, yet this act is so broad that it should be amended in the Senate Committee by adding a proviso at the end excepting public parks and places from the operation of the act.

On motion, the President was requested to take the necessary steps to secure an amendment to the bill as recommended in his report.

On motion, at 11.45 A. M., the Board adjourned.

CLINTON H. SMITH, Assistant Secretary.

DOCUMENT NO. 123.

BOARD

OF THE

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

FEBRUARY 24, 1892.

The President presented a report of the transactions of the Department for the quarter ending September 30, 1891, which was ordered transmitted to his Honor the Mayor, and also printed as a document of the Board.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Report for the Quarter ending September 30, 1891.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
Nos. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET, }
October 1, 1891. }

Hon. HUGH J. GRANT, Mayor :

SIR—In conformity with the requirements of section 49 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, the Department of Public Parks hereby submits the following statement of its transactions during the three months ending September 30, 1891 :

The organization of the Board governing the Department remains unchanged.

Aside from the ordinary transaction of business in the administration of the Department, several matters of importance have received the attention and careful consideration of the Board of Parks, among them the proposed removal of the tracks of the elevated railroads from the Battery Park, and the proposed closing of the draws of the bridges over the Harlem river during certain hours of the day. On the latter proposition a number of hearings have been afforded to the numerous parties interested and petitions for and against the proposed regulations have been received, signed by many thousands, those in favor urging the great annoyance of the frequent interruption to passengers and mails crossing the river during the summer season, and those opposed remonstrating against interference with the free navigation of the river at all hours.

It has been decided not to adopt the regulations requiring the bridges to be closed, the Board being evenly divided on the question.

The hearing in the matter of the elevated railway at the Battery has been continued from time to time, and finally closed on the 23d of September. The matter is still under consideration.

An estimate of the amount of moneys required for the transaction of the business of the Department for the coming year (amounting to \$1,074,545), has been prepared and forwarded to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The matter of the proposed new bridge over Harlem river, to replace the present McComb's Dam Bridge, has been steadily progressed.

It has been determined that the point at which the bridge is to be built on the southerly side of the river, is the most practicable for the proper construction of the same, and detailed drawings and specifications have been prepared and forwarded to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for approval, pursuant to chapter 207 of the Laws of 1890. A map, showing the plan and location of the bridge, has been sent to the Secretary of War for approval, and the Department has accepted the conditions under which the approval asked will be given.

The Harlem River Bridge Commission has turned over to the care and control of this Department the bridge over Harlem river at One Hundred and Eighty-first street, known as Washington Bridge, and the Board of Parks, on the 9th of September, on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty, accepted the said bridge and its approaches. There being a balance of \$786 only available for the maintenance of the bridge during the remainder of the year, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment has been requested to authorize the transfer of the sum of eight hundred dollars from the appropriation for Telephonic Service for the current year (for which it is not required), to the appropriation for Harlem River Bridges, in order to provide for the proper maintenance of Washington Bridge.

The weekly concerts in the Central and several City parks have been continued during the quarter and enjoyed by many thousands. Castle Garden has been opened as a free concert hall, and the demonstration was pronounced a success. Nearly three thousand people attended the first concert. The Mayor was present, and expressed the hope that Castle Garden would continue to be devoted to public amusements. It is proposed to give as many more free concerts as the subscriptions from which the expense is defrayed will justify.

A new small park, which has been given the name of Rutger's Park, has been laid out at Rutger's Slip. Plans for its improvement are in course of preparation.

The Metropolitan Museum of Art has been opened by the Trustees for the free use of the public on Sunday afternoons, and, according to a letter from the Director, it appears that the number of persons who have visited the Museum on Sundays since the Sunday opening commenced has been recorded by the turnstiles as follows:

Sunday, May	31,	1891	.....	14,263
"	June	7,	"	6,734
"	"	14,	"	8,947
"	"	21,	"	4,475
"	"	28,	"	9,200
"	July	5,	"	9,514
"	"	12,	"	7,996
"	"	19,	"	7,268
"	"	26,	"	7,484
"	August	2,	"	5,137
Total				<u>81,018</u>

There has been discovered in the Pelham Bay Park what is believed to be a glacial furrow. The attention of the Department was called to it by the Rev. George Lansing Taylor, and a careful study of the locality has strengthened the belief that the furrow, which is distinctly marked upon a rock in that part of the park known as Pelham Neck, is the work of the great ice glacier of whose passage over the continent science teaches. The furrow has been indicated on the park map, with a view to its preservation as a valuable scientific object of great interest to students of geology and one of the park attractions.

Permission has been given to the Pell family to make repairs by way of restoration or preservation of an ancient burial plot in the Pelham Bay Park, as the same now exists, and a similar permission has been granted to the representatives of the Van Cortlandt and Bayley families, with respect to their family burial plot and vault in the same inclosure in Van Cortlandt Park. Both permits are revocable without notice.

The fruit on the New Parks north of the Harlem river has been disposed of at public auction, as it ripened from time to time during the season.

A license to occupy the building known as the Mahoney House in Pelham Bay Park, and to sell refreshments therein, has been issued to William Ward ; for the privilege he pays a fee of fifteen per cent. of his gross receipts.

A license to sell refreshments and let boats at the Skate-house in Van Cortlandt Park has been given to Daniel Sullivan, who agrees to pay a fee of five per cent. of his gross receipts for the privilege.

Permission to maintain a refreshment stand at Castle Garden has been given to Dennis Rooney

The amount to be paid to the Department by Gabriel Case, under his license for conducting the sale of refreshments at McGowan's Pass Tavern, in Central Park, has been fixed at five per cent. of his gross receipts.

A rule has been established whereby every stage or omnibus when driven or used at night in Central Park, after the city gas lamps are lighted, will be required to have fixed upon the inside of the front of it a sufficiently lighted lamp or candle, so that the same shall be plainly visible from the outside of such vehicle, and every coach or cab or carriage, public or private, excluding uncovered buggies, when driven or used at night in Central Park, after the city gas lamps are lighted, shall have fixed upon the outside of the driver's seat, upon or at each side of it, a sufficiently lighted lamp or candle so that the same shall be plainly visible from the outside of every such cab, coach or carriage.

The consent of the Department has been given to the erection of projections on certain houses, as follows :

On a dwelling to be erected by James A. Burden, at the southeast corner of Fifth avenue and Seventy-second street, the projections not to extend more than five feet beyond the house line of Fifth avenue, nor more than four feet beyond the house line of Seventy-second street.

On a building to be erected by Gerald L. Schuyler, at the northwest corner of Eighty-third street and West End avenue, the projections not to extend more than one foot beyond the building line.

An assessment list for the work of regulating, grading, paving, etc., the avenue bounding the Morningside Park on the westerly side, from One Hundred and Tenth street to Tenth avenue, together with the amount and cost of the work, has been prepared and forwarded to the Board of Assessors.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment has been requested to authorize the issue of bonds or stock to the amount of twelve hundred dollars in addition to the amount heretofore provided under chapter 444 of the Laws of 1889, for the erection of bays and stairways on the westerly side of Morningside Park.

A request has also been made of the said Board for authority to expend the sum of six thousand dollars, from the amount of fifteen thousand dollars previously provided for the construction of a foundation wall around Mount Morris Park, for the purpose of constructing the superstructure to be placed on the said foundation wall.

The Department having been advised by the Counsel to the Corporation that the construction of a dock in Pelham Bay Park should not be commenced until title to the land below high-water mark shall have been acquired by the City from the State, and it being impossible to complete such proceedings during the current year, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment has been requested to transfer the sum of ten thousand dollars appropriated for the construction of a dock, to the appropriation for the care and maintenance of the New Parks north of the Harlem river.

The New York and New Jersey Globe Gas-light Company having offered to place a number of their lamps in the Central Park, and maintain the same at their own expense, their proposition was accepted upon the condition that one year's trial be given without charge, the lamps to be placed at such locations and in such numbers as the Department may designate.

The Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company, who have heretofore obtained permission to maintain its tracks upon and across the bridge over Harlem river at Third avenue, and to run cars thereon operated by animal traction, have been given permission to run their cars by electric power and to construct the necessary wires and fixtures therefor.

Contracts for the following-named works have been entered into by the Department during the quarter :

For furnishing and delivering, where and when required, hay, straw, oats, corn and bran, amount \$5,445. Horace Ingersoll, Contractor ; Jacob D. Butler & Samuel Ingersoll, Sureties.

For repairing and repaving with rock asphalt the walks within the City Parks other than the Central Park, amount \$5,860. The Sicilian Asphalt Paving Company, Contractor ; Henry Bolze and Albert Smith, Sureties.

For regulating and grading for an entrance at One Hundred and Sixth street and Central Park, West, and about 150 feet of driveway connecting the same with the west drive in the park, amount \$8,311. Patrick McInerney, Contractor ; Charles McGuinness and Thomas Regan, Sureties.

For furnishing three wall cases for the American Museum of Natural History, amount \$1,900. D. S. Hess & Co., Contractors ; W. H. Stiner and M. S. Fechheimer, Sureties.

For constructing mason and granite work for seven parks in Park avenue, between Sixtieth and Sixty-seventh streets, amount \$12,600. Stephen Ruddy, Contractor; Michael Giblin and Thomas Gearty, Sureties.

MAINTENANCE WORK.

The gardening force on the Central and City Parks has been engaged in the care and cultivation of the flower beds and in pruning and cultivating the herbaceous plants. At the greenhouses the usual work of propagating bedding plants has been attended to.

The shrubs and trees in the nursery were cultivated and cared for.

On the Central Park the usual routine work, consisting of the almost daily sprinkling of the drives, bridle paths, Transverse Roads Nos. 1 and 2, Fifth avenue and West Seventy-second street, together with the necessary rolling and scraping well attended to.

The lawns have been mowed from time to time, and the long grass carted to the animals at the Menagerie or sold. The short grass was carted to the dump, as well as hundreds of loads of refuse from sweepings.

The walks have been regularly swept, and the walk and road basins cleaned as required.

The wire fences were repaired from time to time.

Gravel was received and spread upon the drives.

The tennis and croquet grounds were kept open during the past quarter, and thousands of people enjoyed their use. Base-ball and cricket playing has also been indulged in, and numerous children's picnic parties were held on the lawns.

The cottages were kept open, in charge of Attendants, from 7 A. M. to 7 P. M.

At Mount Morris Park the lawns have been mowed and the walks were regularly cleaned. Thousands of children have enjoyed the use of the lawns for croquet playing and picnic parties. The work of cleaning the lawns and walks after players and picnickers and the great crowds that attend the weekly concerts has been considerable. The work of reconstructing this park by the widening of the paths and erection of new fences has been undertaken.

The lawns and walks at East River Park, Manhattan Square, Triangle Junction of Ninth avenue and Boulevard, at Sixty-third and Seventy-second streets, and the Park Avenue Parks have been regularly mowed and cared for.

The walks and lawns in the City Parks below Central Park have been attended to. The cottages in these parks have been kept open, in charge of Attendants, from 7 A. M. to 7 P. M., except at Union Square, where the cottage has been kept open night and day.

A concert was given each week at Tompkins Square, Battery Park and Paradise Park, which involved considerable work in preparation for and cleaning up after the same.

The drinking-fountains have been kept in operation, when possible, and the trees and shrubs regularly watered.

The wire fences in these parks were repaired from time to time.

At Riverside Park the work has consisted of watering and rolling the drive, and repairing the same with gravel ; cleaning gutters and basins ; mowing the lawns.

At Morningside Park the lawns have been mowed and the basins and walks cleaned.

The force at the Eighty-fifth Street Stables has been engaged in caring for the horses, cleaning and repairing the harness, and making new parts of same.

The force on the New Parks north of the Harlem river has been engaged in surveying and monumenting boundaries of parks and parkways, and in repairing roads and bridges.

Considerable work was done in preparing the Van Cortlandt Parade Ground for the fall review.

The Carpenter force has been engaged on incidental repairs of cottages on the Central and City Parks, repairs of signs and settees, rolling stock, music stands, tools, etc.

The Painters were engaged in painting repairs made by Carpenters, lettering signs, glazing windows, etc.

The Masons were engaged in repairing basins and drains, and in some instances rebuilding same, and in painting brick and stonework ; also, in resetting, flagging and curbing in the City parks.

The Plumbing force has been engaged in repairing bursts in Croton-water pipes, and in the repair and improvement of the cottages on the Central and City Parks.

The mechanical force, other than that above named, consisting of Engineers, Skilled Laborers, etc., has been engaged in the operation and care of the boilers at the Workshops and Arsenal and in the repair of tools. The Horseshoers have attended to the shoeing of the Department horses as required.

The Engineers, Bridgetenders and force on the Harlem river bridges have been engaged in the operation of these bridges, which requires constant care and attention, as they have to be opened at all hours of the day and night.

CONSTRUCTION WORK.

CENTRAL PARK.

Regulating, Grading and Improving the Public Place or Plaza at Fifth Avenue and One Hundred and Tenth Street.

A contract for the work was executed on June 24 and the contractor was notified to commence work on July 6.

The quantities of work done during the quarter are :

- 2,000 cubic yards of filling placed in embankment.
- 200 cubic yards garden mould placed in tree plots.
- 200 lineal feet straight 6-inch curb furnished and set.
- 212 lineal feet curved 6-inch curb furnished and set.
- 1 receiving-basin built complete.
- 3 receiving-basins rebuilt.

- 130 lineal feet of 12-inch vitrified pipe furnished and laid.
- 1,500 square yards of new pavement for roadway laid.
- 350 square yards of old pavement for roadway relaid.
- 1,700 square feet of new bridge stone furnished and laid.
- 260 cubic yards of concrete in place.

Regulating and Grading for Entrance at One Hundred and Sixth Street, and Central Park, West, and about 150 feet of Driveway Connecting same with the West Drive in Central Park.

The contract for this work was executed on September 2 and the work ordered to be commenced on September 10.

The quantity of work done is :

- 1,500 cubic yards of earth excavated.

FIFTH AVENUE.

Repairing and Resurfacing the Macadamized Roadway and Trap-block Gutters of Fifth Avenue, from Ninetieth Street to One Hundred and Tenth Street.

The contract for this work was executed on June 9, and the contractor was notified to begin work on June 24, and the work was completed on September 26.

The quantity of work done was :

- 18,750.41 square yards of macadamized and trap-block pavement repaired and resurfaced.

MORNINGSIDE PARK.

The Erection of Granite and Blue-stone Steps, Platforms, etc., required on Morningside Park, at the Three Bays and Three Entrances adjoining the Avenue, on the Westerly Side of the Park, and the Entrance at One Hundred and Tenth Street and Manhattan Avenue.

A contract for the work was executed on July 16, 1890, and the work was commenced August 11, 1890.

The work done during the quarter was :

- 751 cubic yards of rubble masonry built in walls for platforms and steps.
- 316 cubic yards of ashlar masonry built in walls for platforms and steps.
- 5 cubic yards of dry wall built to support rustic coping.
- 30 cubic yards of brickwork built in arches over bays.
- 29 cubic yards of concrete put in place.
- 44 cubic yards of two and four faced ashlar furnished and set.
- 10,800 pounds of iron beams furnished and set in bays.
- 50 lineal feet of rustic coping set.
- 208 lineal feet of blue-stone steps furnished and set.
- 6,000 cubic feet of dressed granite furnished and set.

CITY PARKS.

Repairing and Repaving with Rock Asphalt the Walks within the City Parks, other than Central Park.

The contract for the above work was executed July 14, and the contractors notified to commence work on July 22.

The quantities of work done are :

With Concrete Foundation.

- 2,324 square feet laid in Battery Park.
- 500 square feet laid in Bowling Green.
- 7,500 square feet laid in Tompkins Square.
- 3,544 square feet laid in Stuyvesant Square.

Without Concrete Foundation.

- 3,636 square feet of asphalt laid in City Hall Park.
- 13,277 square feet of asphalt laid in Washington Square.
- 3,908 square feet of asphalt laid in Union Square.
- 27,818 square feet of asphalt laid in Mount Morris Park.

MOUNT MORRIS PARK.

Constructing Foundation Walls for Inclosing Wall Around Mount Morris Park.

This work is being done under contract dated December 23, 1889, and was commenced April 15, 1890; was suspended for the season on December 6 and ordered to be resumed on April 15, 1891, but no work was done until May 19.

The quantities of work done during the quarter are :

- 195 cubic yards of rubble foundation in cement mortar.
- 145 cubic yards of one-faced wall above foundation.

HARLEM RIVER BRIDGES—MADISON AVENUE BRIDGE.

The Construction of Wrought and Galvanized Iron Boiler and Engine-house over the Centre of the Draw-span of the Madison Avenue Bridge.

The contract for this work was executed on January 5, 1891. Work ordered to be commenced on March 23, and was completed on September 19.

THIRD AVENUE AND MCCOMB'S DAM BRIDGES.

No special repairs have been required or made during the quarter.

PELHAM BAY AND CITY ISLAND BRIDGES.

No special repairs have been made during the quarter.

ENGINEER CORPS AND INSPECTORS.

The present force consists of :

Engineer of Construction.....	1
Assistant Engineers.....	2
Assistant.....	1
Draughtsmen.....	2
Levelers.....	2
Axeman.....	6
Inspectors.....	5

CENTRAL PARK MENAGERIE.

Donations.

- July 5. 1 common quail, presented by Mr. L. Gaide, New York City.
- “ 8. 2 magpies, presented by Mr. John Sutherland, New York City.
- “ 17. 1 black bear, presented by Mr. Adolph Ladenburg, Long Island City.
- “ 17. 1 opossum, presented by Mr. John A. Wheeler, New York City.
- “ 17. 2 crows, presented by Mrs. Pauline Muller, New York City.
- “ 18. 2 young red-tailed hawks, presented by Mr. Fred. Schill, New York City.
- “ 18. 1 young alligator, presented by Mr. F. M. Frielingsdorf, New York City.
- “ 21. 1 gray fox, presented by Mr. George Holden, New York City.
- “ 22. 2 young hawks, presented by Mr. P. V. Kindgen, New York City.
- “ 23. 3 young prairie wolves, presented by Royal Horse Association, Brooklyn, L. I.
- “ 23. 3 raccoons, presented by Mr. Fred. Denhard, New York City.
- “ 25. 1 turtle, presented by Mrs. Buckland, New York City.
- “ 25. 1 small alligator, presented by Mr. M. B. McCarthy, New York City.
- Aug. 1. 1 pair guinea fowl, presented by Capt. David Millm, Ship “Royal Sovereign.”
- “ 4. 1 mink, presented by Mr. Gilbert Bailey, Brewsters, N. Y.
- “ 8. 2 rabbits, presented by Mr. Hugh McDonald, New York City.
- “ 8. 1 guinea pig, presented by Miss Moore, New York City.
- “ 11. 1 purple gallinule, presented by Miss Day, New York City.
- “ 13. 1 pair golden pheasants, presented by Mr. Samuel B. Schieffelin, Tarrytown, N. Y.
- “ 20. 1 small alligator, presented by Mr. Robert Hopf, New York City.
- “ 20. 1 raccoon, presented by Misses Dolley and Rebecca Zimmerman, New York City.
- “ 22. 2 ring doves, presented by Miss Louise W. Smith, Brooklyn, L. I.
- “ 22. 1 Trinidad deer, presented by Messrs. Cadenas & Co., New York City.
- “ 24. 2 prairie wolves, presented by Messrs. Meehan & Wilson, New York City.
- “ 31. 1 rosa cockatoo, presented by Mr. Samuel Wirthime, New York City.
- Sept. 2. 1 horned owl, presented by Mr. Thomas H. Wood, New York City.
- “ 2. 1 Danish dog, presented by Copenhagen Zoological Garden, Denmark.
- “ 2. 3 hawks, presented by Messrs. J. Struck & Co., New York City.
- “ 2. 3 Maltese kittens, presented by Mrs. Wilson, New York City.

- Sept. 3. 1 tarantula, presented by Mr. R. Rossi, New York.
 " 4. 2 small alligators, presented by Master Guy L. Brigg, New York City.
 " 4. 1 Irish thrush, presented by Mr. Andrew Wilson, Greenpoint, L. I.
 " 4. 1 green monkey, presented by Mr. George Van Wagener, Newark.
 " 9. 2 red foxes, presented by Mr. J. M. Ohmers, Sullivan Co., N. Y.
 " 10. 3 opossums, presented by Master George Schenck, New York City.
 " 11. 1 raccoon, presented by Mr. Martin Rouse, New York City.
 " 11. 1 Chinese rat, presented by Master Bertie Lilienthal, New York City.
 " 12. 2 small alligators, presented by Mr. A. M. McGregor, Mamaroneck, N. Y.
 " 12. 1 red fox, presented by Mr. Joseph Osborne, Brooklyn, L. I.
 " 12. 1 robin, presented by Mrs. McDonald, New York City.
 " 12. 1 red fox, presented by Mr. Patrick Lyden, New York City.
 " 12. 1 brown bear, presented by Mr. Pierre Fayard, New York City.
 " 14. 2 rabbits, presented by Master Alfred Rader, New York City.
 " 20. 1 pigeon, presented by Mr. Thomas Sesnan, New York City.
 " 21. 1 sora rail, presented by Mr. Thad. A. Kohn, New York City.
 " 24. 1 bull calf, presented by Mr. E. M. Worth, New York City.
 " 25. 1 painted turtle, presented by Master Charles G. Peters, New York City.
 " 27. 1 rabbit, presented by Mr. J. Gartner, New York City.
 " 28. 1 duck, presented by Mr. William Schraman, New York City.
 " 28. 1 white heron, presented by Mr. J. J. Mahoney, New York City.
 " 28. 1 lot snakes, presented by Mr. Henry A. Smith, New York City.
 " 28. 1 pair guinea pigs, presented by Henry Wurtz, New York City.
 " 29. 1 gila monster, presented by Messrs. Peck & Snyder, New York City.

Born.

1 Axis deer.

Purchased.

2 red-billed curassows.

1 penelope.

1 king vulture.

Placed on Exhibition.

D. Burns—

July 8. 2 white herons.

" 8. 2 snake birds.

August 5. 1 tapir.

Dr. L. Daminville—

July 31. 1 Cebus monkey.

J. S. Barry—

August 20. 7 white swans.

T. Tredwell—

September 4. 3 curassows.

H. Hoile—

September 4. 9 monkeys.

A. Forepaugh—

September 12. 1 Indian elephant.

W. Meyers—

September 12. 2 ostriches, 1 emu, 1 hog deer.

H. Reiche—

September 17. 50 rosa cockatoos, 62 yellow-crested cockatoos.

Mr. Westlake—

September 26. 4 monkeys.

J. H. Starin—

September 28. 4 common seal.

Exchanged.

3 prairie wolves for 2 copper-colored pheasants.

Returned to.

D. Burns—

July 24. 2 white herons ; deposited July 8, 1891.

W. Bannister—

July 31. 1 pelican ; deposited December 23, 1890.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY.

During the past quarter monthly tables have been printed for distribution to home and foreign observatories and libraries ; weekly reports have been issued to the CITY RECORD and newspapers ; weekly and hourly reports to the Health Department and meteorological information has been supplied to the Counsel to the Corporation and also the law courts.

The annexed tables give an abstract of the mean, the maximum and minimum readings from the various self-recording instruments in this observatory, for the third quarter of the year 1891, and also comparisons with the observations for the same quarter for the past twenty years, taken at this observatory :

BAROMETER (Reduced to Freezing).

July—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.	29.964	29.880
Mean for 2 P. M.	29.943	29.859
Mean for 9 P. M.	29.948	29.865
Mean for month	29.946	29.868
Maximum for month at 9 A. M., 22d.	30.300	30.234 9 A. M., 9th, 1872.
Minimum for month at 1 A. M., 8th.	29.614	29.399 3 A. M., 12th, 1879.

August—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.	29.945	29.918
Mean for 2 P. M.	29.925	29.895
Mean for 9 P. M.	29.936	29.903
Mean for month.	29.930	29.905
Maximum for month at 7 A. M., 26th.	30.194	30.372 9 A. M., 23d, 1871.
Minimum for month at 4 A. M., 2d.	29.610	29.302 8 P. M., 21st, 1888.

September—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	30.095	29.996
Mean for 2 P. M.	30.060	29.956
Mean for 9 P. M.	30.080	29.977
Mean for month.	30.075	29.976
Maximum for month at 12 P. M., 30th.	30.344	30.500 9 A. M., 7th, 1888.
Minimum for month at 3 P. M., 7th.	29.718	29.108 2 A. M., 23d, 1885.

Quarter—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	30.001	29.931
Mean for 2 P. M.	29.976	29.903
Mean for 9 P. M.	29.988	29.915
Mean for quarter.	29.984	29.916
Maximum for quarter at 12 P. M., Sept. 30th	30.344	30.500 9 A. M., Sept. 7th, 1888.
Minimum for quarter at 4 A. M., Aug. 2d. ...	29.610	29.108 2 A. M., Sept. 23d, 1885.

SUN THERMOMETER (Fahrenheit Degrees).

July—	1891.	For 12 years.
Greatest possible hours of sunshine.	439	438
Actual number of hours of sunshine.	249	317
Number of days in which no clouds passed over the sun.	5	4

August—		
Greatest possible hours of sunshine.	414	413
Actual number of hours of sunshine.	200	291
Number of days in which no clouds passed over the sun.	2	5

September—		
Greatest possible hours of sunshine.	359	357
Actual number of hours of sunshine.	234	241
Number of days in which no clouds passed over the sun.	6	5

Quarter—	1891.	For 12 years.
Greatest possible hours of sunshine.....	404	403
Actual number of hours of sunshine.....	228	283
Number of days in which no clouds passed over the sun	4	5

THERMOMETER (Fahrenheit Degrees) IN SHADE.

July—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.	68.64	70.86
Mean for 2 P. M.	77.81	80.08
Mean for 9 P. M.	72.29	74.58
Mean for month.	72.39	75.14
Maximum for month at 2 P. M., 15th	90.00	99.00 3 P. M., 21st, 1885.
Minimum for month at 5 A. M., 9th.....	60.00	54.00 5 A. M., 13th, 1888.
August—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	71.58	68.49
Mean for 2 P. M.	80.48	77.95
Mean for 9 P. M.	75.61	72.31
Mean for month	75.45	72.86
Maximum for month at 5 P. M., 10th.....	98.00	96.00 4 P. M., 13th, 1881.
Minimum for month at 6 A. M., 29th	59.00	50.00 6 A. M., 28th, 1885.
September—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	67.10	61.18
Mean for 2 P. M.	77.20	70.82
Mean for 9 P. M.	71.37	65.41
Mean for month	71.56	65.78
Maximum for month at 3 P. M., 18th.....	91.00	101.00 3 P. M., 7th, 1881.
Minimum for month at 6 A. M., 9th.....	54.00	39.70 6.15 A. M., 21st, 1871.
Quarter—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	69.11	66.84
Mean for 2 P. M.	78.50	76.28
Mean for 9 P. M.	73.09	70.77
Mean for quarter ..	73.13	71.26
Maximum for quarter at 5 P. M., August 10th	98.00	101.00 3 P. M., Sept. 7th, 1881.
Minimum for quarter at 6 A. M., Sept. 9th..	54.00	39.70 6.15 A. M., Sept. 21st, 1871.

THERMOMETER (Wet Bulb) IN SHADE (Fahrenheit Degrees).

July—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.	64.13	66.22
Mean for 2 P. M.	68.77	70.40
Mean for 9 P. M.	68.29	68.74
Mean for month.	66.83	68.44
Maximum for month at 3 P. M., 15th	81.00	87.00 2 P. M., 21st, 1885.
Minimum for month at 7 A. M., 31st.	54.00	50.00 5 A. M., 13th, 1888.
August—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	67.29	64.46
Mean for 2 P. M.	72.26	68.60
Mean for 9 P. M.	71.35	67.07
Mean for month.	70.10	66.70
Maximum for month at 6 P. M., 10th	85.00	84.00 3 P. M., 7th, 1876.
Minimum for month at 6 A. M., 29th.	53.00	45.00 6 A. M., 27th, 1887.
September—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	63.23	57.89
Mean for 2 P. M.	68.47	62.58
Mean for 9 P. M.	67.20	60.85
Mean for month.	66.30	60.42
Maximum for month at 5 P. M., 18th.	78.00	83.00 6 P. M., 7th, 1881.
Minimum for month at 12 P. M., 30th.	50.00	36.00 7 A. M., 30th, 1888.
Quarter—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	64.88	62.86
Mean for 2 P. M.	69.83	67.19
Mean for 9 P. M.	68.95	65.55
Mean for quarter.	67.74	65.19
Maximum for quarter at 6 P. M., Aug. 10th. .	85.00	87.00 2 P. M., July 21st, 1885.
Minimum for quarter at 12 P. M., Sept. 30th. .	50.00	36.00 7 A. M., Sept. 30th, 1888.

RELATIVE HUMIDITY (Saturation 100).

July—	1891.	For 20 years.
Mean for 7 A. M.	76	77
Mean for 2 P. M.	61	60
Mean for 9 P. M.	80	73
Mean for month.	72	70

	1891.	For 20 years.
August—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	78	79
Mean for 2 P. M.	65	61
Mean for 9 P. M.	80	74
Mean for month.....	75	71
September—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	79	80
Mean for 2 P. M.	62	61
Mean for 9 P. M.	79	75
Mean for month.....	73	72
Quarter—		
Mean for 7 A. M.	78	79
Mean for 2 P. M.	63	61
Mean for 9 P. M.	80	74
Mean for quarter.....	73	71

ELASTIC FORCE OF AQUEOUS VAPOR (Inch of Mercury).

	1891.	For 20 years.
July—		
Mean for 7 A. M. ....	.546	.591
Mean for 2 P. M. ....	.586	.622
Mean for 9 P. M. ....	.646	.631
Mean for month.....	.594	.615
August—		
Mean for 7 A. M. ....	.622	.561
Mean for 2 P. M. ....	.692	.586
Mean for 9 P. M. ....	.725	.606
Mean for month.....	.679	.583
September—		
Mean for 7 A. M. ....	.539	.452
Mean for 2 P. M. ....	.589	.472
Mean for 9 P. M. ....	.625	.487
Mean for month.....	.583	.470
Quarter—		
Mean for 7 A. M. ....	.569	.535
Mean for 2 P. M. ....	.622	.560
Mean for 9 P. M. ....	.665	.575
Mean for quarter.....	.619	.556

WIND.

July—	1891.	For 20 years.	
Prevailing direction.....	W.	SE.	
Velocity for months (in miles).....	4,058.0	4,201.6	
Maximum velocity for day (in miles) on 6th	228.0	349.0	12th, 1888.
Maximum force of wind (in pounds) during the month, at 10 A. M., 6th.....	7.75	23.00	4.50 P. M., 16th, 1871.

August—

Prevailing direction.....	SW.	SE.	
Velocity for month (in miles).....	3,479.0	3,941.6	
Maximum velocity for day (in miles) on 21st	272.0	470.0	14th, 1873.
Maximum force of wind (in pounds) during the month, at 10.50 A.M., 21st.....	6.75	20.25	7.40 P. M., 4th, 1888.

September—

Prevailing direction.....	S.	SE.	
Velocity for month (in miles).....	3,503.0	4,228.3	
Maximum velocity for day (in miles) on 30th	210.0	426.0	17th, 1876.
Maximum force of wind (in pounds) during the month, at 0.40 P.M., 14th.....	4.50	19.50	9.50 A. M., 20th, 1872.

Quarter—

Prevailing direction.....	SW.	SE.	
Velocity for quarter (in miles).....	11,040	12,371.5	
Maximum velocity for day (in miles) on 21st of August.....	272.00	470.0	August 14, 1873.
Maximum force of wind (in pounds) during the quarter, at 10 A. M., July 6th.....	7.75	23.00	4.50 P.M., July 16th, 1871.

RAIN.

July—	1891.	For 20 years.		
Number of days on which rain descended.....	14	11		
		D.	H.	M.
Duration.....	3 6 30	1	23	00
Depth of water in inches.....	3.94	4.33		

August—

Number of days on which rain descended.....	14	8		
		D.	H.	M.
Duration.....	1 19 45	2	2	30
Depth of water in inches.....	4.51	4.67		

September—	1891.	For 20 years.
Number of days on which rain descended.....	6	8
	D. H. M.	D. H. M.
Duration	1 6 00	2 5 46
Depth of water in inches.....	2.49	3.58
Quarter—		
Number of days on which rain descended.....	11	9
	D. H. M.	D. H. M.
Duration.....	2 2 45	2 2 25
Depth of water in inches.....	3.65	4.19

OZONE.

July—	1891.	For 11 years.
Mean for month.....	1.58	1.64
August—		
Mean for month.....	1.16	1.38
September—		
Mean for month.....	.47	1.28
Quarter—		
Mean for quarter....	1.07	1.43

New Parks—Summary of Work Done during

LOCATION.	VAN CORTLANDT PARK.		BRONX PARK.	
	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.
Roads graded.....	67 c. y.	\$31 27	{ 73 c. y. rock. 1,230 c. y.	\$91 31 709 14
Roads trimmed and cleaned.....	430 l. ft.	29 73	7,094 l. ft.	204 55
Roads rolled.....			130,460 sq. ft.	158 50
Walks trimmed and cleaned.....	2,040 l. ft.	45 39	150 l. ft.	2 00
Gutters opened.....			300 "	6 82
Washouts and holes filled.....	9 c. y.	6 26		
Plank walks repaired.....	45 l. ft.	2 88		
Guard rails and steps built.....				
Bridges—Repairs, etc.....	2	44 26	2	16 52
Draw-bridges—Attendance.....				
Trees and brush cut and removed.....	{ 17 trees. 29,000 sq. ft. brush.	122 63	12 trees.	17 31
Weeds and grass cut and removed.....	102¾ acres.	476 64	4¾ acres.	25 00
Dams repaired.....	1	31 55	1	80 40
Wells covered.....	8	12 52		
Pumps, etc., repairs, etc.....	{ Croton Connection. }	61 31		
Signs set up.....				
Unsafe buildings, etc., removed.....				
Buildings cleaned.....	3	7 63		
Springs cleaned.....	1	1 76		
Bronx river, cleaning.....				8 29
Contract under Treasurer's Order—Grading west Bank of Crotona Park, between One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street and Tre- mont avenue.....				
Contract under Treasurer's Order—Cutting grass, Van Cortlandt Park Parade Ground. }	130 acres.	168 00		
Supplies, materials, etc.....		8 00		96 53
Guarding property and miscellaneous.....		357 57		400 04
Total cost, maintenance, etc.....		\$1,407 40		\$1,816 41
ENGINEER CORPS.				
Surveys.....	1=2,000 l. ft.	\$9 23	{ 3=27,033 l. ft. 362 angles. }	\$274 36
Drawings and tracings.....	{ 4 tracings. 23 sq. ft. }	24 96	{ 1 drawing= 28 sq. ft. }	51 75
Examinations and reports.....	1	5 75		
Total cost, engineering.....		\$39 94		\$326 11
Grand total cost.....		\$1,447 34		\$2,142 52

the Quarter ending September 30, 1891.

PELHAM BAY PARK.		CROTONA PARK.		CLAREMONT PARK.	
Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.
1,743 c. y.	\$679 44				
440 l. ft.	28 16				
220 l. ft.	7 04			2,605 l. ft.	\$115 00
390 "	8 61				
54 c. y.	22 54	3 c. y.	\$5 01		
		22 l. ft.	13 00		
2	590 81				
2	150 56				
4 trees.	18 48				
4	8 80	1	9 53		
		1 pump.	10 00	2 pumps.	3 50
7	19 56				
		1	6 00		
		{ Earth and rock excavation. 2,790 c. y. }	500 00		
	93 50				
	369 23		52 33		79 50
	\$1,966 73		\$595 87		\$198 00
1=2,500 l. ft.	\$16 10	{ 1=1,500 l. ft. 13 slope stakes for excavation of 4,500 c. y. of earth and rock... }	\$35 51		
1	28 75	1	3 23		
	\$44 85		\$38 74		
	\$2,041 58		\$634 61		\$198 00

LOCATION.	ST. MARY'S PARK.		BRONX AND PELHAM PARKWAYS.	
	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.
Roads graded.....	50 c. y., rock. 10 c. y.	\$76 48 3 00		
Roads trimmed and cleaned.....	1,010 l. ft.	60 78	300 l. ft.	\$17 70
Roads rolled.....				
Walks graded.....	2,500 l. ft.	149 95		
Walks trimmed and cleaned.....	4,200 "	148 90		
Gutters opened.....	80 "	7 27		
Washouts and holes filled.....				
Drain filled in.....	130 c. y.	81 06		
Stone drain cleaned and repaired.....	60 "	144 42		
Timber culvert built.....	36 l. ft.	8 88		
Manholes built.....	4	24 56		
Plank walks repaired.....				
Guard rails and steps built.....				
Bridges—Repairs, etc.....			1	9 78
Draw-bridges—Attendance.....				
Trees and brush cut and removed.....	14 trees.	36 94		
Weeds and grass cut and removed.....	9½ acres.	58 85		
Ponds cleaned.....	1	1 76		
Ponds filled-in.....	1 = 250 c. y.	119 14		
Dams repaired.....				
Wells covered.....				
Back-house.....	1—Construction and painting.	97 50		
Pumps, etc., repairs, etc.....				
Seats built, etc.....	15 seats, 9 of which are painted.....	50 94		
Signs set up.....				
Unsafe buildings, etc., removed.....	1	3 75		
Lumber hauled.....				
Buildings cleaned.....				
Dead dogs buried.....	1	44		
Springs cleaned.....				
Bronx river, cleaning.....				
Insurance—Buildings—Premium for year, \$1,380; proportion chargeable against this quarter.....				
Maintenance—Salary of Engineer in Charge.....				
Contract under Treasurer's Order—Grading west Bank of Crotona Park, between One Hun- dred and Seventy-fifth street and Tremont avenue.....				
Contract under Treasurer's Order—Cutting grass, Van Cortlandt Park Parade Ground.....				

FULTON AVENUE PARK.		NEW PARKS—GENERAL.		TOTALS.	
Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.
.....	123 c. y., rock.	\$167 79
.....	3,050 c. y.	1,422 85
.....	9,274 l. ft.	340 92
.....	130,460 sq. ft.	158 50
300 l. ft.	\$18 56	.....	.....	2,800 l. ft.	168 51
.....	9,215 "	318 33
.....	770 "	22 70
.....	66 c. y.	33 81
.....	130 "	81 06
.....	60 "	144 42
.....	36 l. ft.!	8 88
.....	4	24 56
.....	45 l. ft.	2 88
.....	22 "	13 00
.....	7	661 37
.....	2	150 56
.....	{ 47 trees.	} 195 36
.....	{ 29,000 sq. ft. brush.	
.....	117 acres.	560 50
.....	1	1 76
.....	1=250 c. y.	119 14
.....	2	111 95
.....	13	30 85
.....	{ 1—Construction and	} 97 50
.....	{ painting.....	
.....	{ 3 pumps repaired and	} 74 81
.....	{ Croton connection.	
.....	{ 15 seats, 9 of which	} 50 94
.....	{ are painted.....	
.....	7	19 56
.....	2	9 75
.....	6,609 ft. (B. M.)	\$56 30	6,609 f. (B. M.)	56 30
.....	3	7 63
.....	1	44
.....	1	1 76
.....	8 29
.....	345 00	.....	345 00
.....	630 08	.....	630 08
.....	{ Earth and rock exca-	} 500 00
.....	{ vation, 2,790 c. y..	
.....	130 acres.	168 00

LOCATION.	ST. MARY'S PARK.		BRONX AND PELHAM PARKWAYS.	
	Quantity.	Cost.	Quantity.	Cost.
Supplies, materials, etc.....	\$39 84	.....	.....
Guarding property and miscellaneous.....	113 87	.....	.....
Total cost, maintenance, etc.....	\$1,228 34	.....	\$27 48
ENGINEER CORPS.				
Surveys.....	1=471 l. ft.	\$5 75	.....	.....
Drawings and tracings.....
Examinations and reports.....
General office and miscellaneous—Plotting field notes, making computations and clerical work)
Total cost, engineering.....	\$5 75	.....	.....
Grand total cost.....	\$1,234 09	.....	\$27 48

Under special permit for laying water-pipes in Pelham Bay Park, issued to the New York and Westchester Water Company, the following amount of work has been done: 17,000 lineal feet of trenches opened, 14,500 lineal feet of pipe laid, 14,500 lineal feet of trenches refilled, 5 fire and 5 drinking-hydrants set in place.

POLICE.

The Park Police force consists of--

Captain	1
Surgeon	1
Sergeants	6
Roundsmen	13
Patrolmen	263
Doormen	10
Clothing Inspector	1
Ambulance Driver	1
Stablemen	4
Laborers	4
Total force	<u>304</u>

Of this number, 4 Sergeants, 6 Roundsmen (1 of whom is mounted), 155 Patrolmen, including 18 mounted men, the Clothing Inspector, 6 Doormen, 4 Stablemen and 1 Laborer perform duty in the Central Park; 3 Doormen and 2 mounted men perform duty on Riverside Park; 1 Laborer does duty as a Watchman on Mount Morris Park; 1 Doorman does duty at Van Cortlandt Park, and 1 Laborer as a Stableman at Van Cortlandt and 1 at Pelham Bay Park.

City Parks.

1 Sergeant, 6 Roundsmen and 85 Patrolmen perform duty on the various small parks south of the Harlem river, as follows:

1 Sergeant and 6 Roundsmen	7
Washington Bridge, Patrolmen	3
High Bridge Park, "	1
Mount Morris Park, "	4
Riverside Park, "	18
Morningside Park, "	6
East River Park, "	5
Bryant Park, "	3
Madison Square Park, "	4
Union Square Park, "	3
Stuyvesant Square Park, "	3
Tompkins Square Park "	8
Washington Square Park, Patrolmen	6
Jackson Square Park, "	1
Abingdon Square Park, "	1
Christopher Street Park, "	1
Canal Street Park, "	2
City Hall Park, "	6
Jeannette Park, "	1

Battery and Bowling Green Park, Patrolman.....	7
Sixty-third Street and Ninth Avenue Park, Patrolman.....	1
Duane Street Park, Patrolmen.....	1
	<u>92</u>

New Parks.

1 Sergeant, 1 Roundsman and 21 Patrolmen perform duty on the New Parks north of Harlem river.

1 Sergeant and 1 Roundsman.....	2
Pelham Bay Park, Patrolmen.....	3
Van Cortlandt Park, ".....	6
Bronx River Park, ".....	5
Crotona Park, ".....	2
Claremont Park, ".....	2
Cedar Park, ".....	1
St. Mary's Park, ".....	2
Total.....	<u>23</u>

Arrests for July, 1891.

Assault—Held in bail to answer by Justice.....	1
“ Fined \$5 by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged “.....	3
“ “ at Police Station.....	1
Total.....	<u>6</u>

Burglary—Committed to Elmira Reformatory by Justice..... 1

Crime against Nature—Held in bail to answer by Justice.....	4
“ Committed to Penitentiary for 1 year by Justice.....	2
“ Discharged by Justice.....	1
Total.....	<u>7</u>

Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ 3 “ “.....	1
“ “ 1 month “.....	6
“ “ 10 days “.....	2
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	9
“ “ 5 “.....	9
“ “ 4 “.....	1
“ Discharged “.....	8
“ “ at Police Station.....	5
Total.....	<u>42</u>

Drunk and Disorderly—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	2
“ “ 1 month “	3
“ “ 5 days “	2
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	2
“ “ 5 “	3
“ Discharged “	7
Total	<u>19</u>
Indecent Exposure—Committed for 4 months by Justice	1
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	2
“ “ 5 “	1
Total.....	<u>4</u>
Insanity—Taken to Bellevue Hospital.....	<u>1</u>
Intoxication—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	5
“ Fined \$5 by Justice.....	6
“ “ 3 “	1
“ Discharged “	5
“ “ at Police Station.....	1
Total.....	<u>18</u>
Larceny—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ 10 days “	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	3
Total	<u>5</u>
Carrying Concealed Weapons—Committed to Catholic Protectory by Justice	<u>1</u>
Picking Pockets—Committed to Penitentiary for 1 year by Justice	<u>1</u>
Reckless Driving—Discharged by Justice.....	1
“ “ at Police Station	1
Total	<u>2</u>
Robbery—Sentenced to States Prison for 4 years	<u>1</u>
Suspicious Persons—Committed to care of Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children by Justice	1
“ Discharged by Coroner	1
“ “ at Police Station.....	3
Total	<u>5</u>

Vagrancy—Committed to care of Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children by Justice.	2
“ Committed to Commissioners of Charities and Correction	1
“ Discharged by Justice.	1
Total	<u>4</u>
Violation Hotel Act—Discharged at Police Station	<u>1</u>
Violation Park Ordinances—Fined \$5 by Justice	3
“ “ 3 “	3
“ “ 2 “	5
“ “ 1 “	11
“ Discharged by Justice	14
“ “ at Police Station	30
Total	<u>66</u>
Males	167
Females	17
Total arrests for July	<u>184</u>

Arrests for August, 1891.

Assault—Committed for 3 months by Justice	1
“ “ 2 days by Justice	1
“ Held in \$300 bail for trial by Justice	1
“ Discharged by Justice	3
“ “ at Police Station	3
Total	<u>9</u>
Attempted Suicide—Taken to Bellevue Hospital	1
“ Discharged by Justice	1
Total	<u>2</u>
Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 3 months by Justice	6
“ “ 1 “	2
“ “ 10 days by Justice	2
“ “ 2 “	1
“ “ to Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children by Justice	2
“ Fined \$10 by Justice	6
“ “ 5 “	7
“ “ 3 “	3
“ “ 1 “	1
“ Discharged	12

Disorderly Conduct—Discharged at Police Station	3
" To disposition	1
Total	<u>46</u>
Intoxication—Committed for 1 month by Justice	4
" " 10 days "	3
" Fined \$10 by Justice	6
" " 5 "	3
" " 4 "	1
" Discharged "	9
Total	<u>26</u>
Drunk and Disorderly—Committed for 6 months by Justice	2
" " 3 "	2
" " 2 "	1
" " 1 "	5
" " 10 days "	1
" " 5 " "	2
" Fined \$10 by Justice	5
" " 5 "	4
" " 3 "	2
" Discharged "	4
Total	<u>28</u>
Felonious Assault—Committed for 8 months by Justice	1
Indecent Assault—Committed for 6 months by Justice	1
Held in \$300 bail for trial by Justice	1
Total	<u>2</u>
Indecent Exposure—Committed to Penitentiary for 1 year by Justice	1
" Fined \$10 by Justice	1
" Held in \$300 bail for trial by Justice	1
Total	<u>3</u>
Larceny—Committed for three months by Justice	1
" " to the Elmira Reformatory by Justice	1
" Discharged by Justice	2
" " at Police Station	1
Total	<u>5</u>

Picking Pockets—Committed to Penitentiary for 4 months by Justice.....	I
“ Discharged by Justice.....	2
Total.....	<u>3</u>
Reckless Driving—Discharged by Justice.....	I
“ “ at Police Station.....	I
Total.....	<u>2</u>
Robbery—Sentenced to State Prison for 3 years and 5 months.....	I
“ Discharged by Justice.....	I
Total.....	<u>2</u>
Vagrancy—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	I
“ “ I “ 	I
“ Committed to care of Commissioners of Charities and Correction by Justice.....	I
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	I
“ Discharged “ 	2
Total.....	<u>6</u>
Violation of Park Ordinances—Fined \$2 by Justice.....	I
“ “ “ I “ 	I
“ “ Discharged “ 	3
“ “ “ at Station.....	29
Total.....	<u>34</u>
Suspicious Persons—Discharged by Justice.....	2
“ “ at Police Station.....	6
Total.....	<u>8</u>
Males.....	143
Females.....	34
Total arrests for August.....	<u>177</u>

Arrests for September, 1891.

Assault—Held in \$300 bail for trial by Justice.....	I
“ Discharged by Justice.....	4
“ “ at Police Station.....	2
Total.....	<u>7</u>
Attempted Suicide—Taken to Bellevue Hospital.....	2
“ Committed to care of Commissioners of Charities and Correction.....	I
Total.....	<u>3</u>

Crime against Nature—Committed for 6 months by Justice	2
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Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	2
“ “ 3 months “	4
“ “ 1 month “	3
“ “ 10 days “	1
“ “ 5 days “	1
“ “ to care of Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children by Justice.....	1
“ Held in \$300 bail for trial by Justice.....	2
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	8
“ “ 5 “	3
“ Discharged “	11
“ “ at Police Station.....	11
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Total.....	48
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Drunk and Disorderly—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ 3 months “	3
“ “ 1 month “	1
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	6
“ “ 5 “	3
“ Discharged “	1
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Total.....	15
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Indecent Exposure—Fined \$10 by Justice.....	2
“ Discharged “	1
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Total.....	3
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Insanity—Committed to care of Commissioners of Charities and Correction by Justice.....	1
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Intoxication—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	4
“ “ 10 days “	1
“ “ 2 days “	1
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	5
“ “ 5 “	4
“ Discharged “	6
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Total.....	21
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Larceny—Held in \$300 bail for trial by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	4
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Total.....	5
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Picking Pockets—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	1
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Vagrancy—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	1
Reckless Driving—Discharged at Police Station.....	2
Violation Park Ordinances—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	1
“ Fined \$3 by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	4
“ “ at Police Station.....	9
Total.....	15
Suspicious Persons—Discharged at Police Station.....	5
Males.....	109
Females.....	20
Total arrests for September.....	129

Arrests for the Quarter.

Males.....	419
Females.....	71
Total.....	490

Accidents.

35 accidents have occurred in the various parks.

Runaways.

26 runaways have taken place on the drives and bridle paths in the Central Park, 15 of which were caught by mounted policemen, 9 by policemen on foot, and 2 passed out of the Park.

Collisions.

15 collisions have occurred on the drives in the Central Park.

Horses and Wagons taken to the Park Stables.

15 horses, with wagons attached, were taken to the Park Stables.

Horses Taken to the Park Stables.

2 horses were taken to Park Stables.

Wagons Taken to the Park Stables.

7 wagons were taken to Park Stables.

Attempted Suicide.

3 men attempted suicide in the Central Park during the quarter, and 1 woman at the Battery Park.

Suicides.

4 men have committed suicide in the Central Park.

Sick and Injured Cared for.

91 persons have been found sick or injured in the various parks and taken to hospital or assisted to their homes.

Found Drowned.

2 persons were found drowned by Park Policemen, 1 man in East river, at Jeannette Park, and 1 boy at East River Park.

Rescued from Drowning.

1 child was rescued from drowning in the fountain at Sixty-third street and Ninth avenue Park, and 1 at the Conservatory Pond, Central Park.

Sudden Deaths.

1 child died suddenly in its mother's arms in Stuyvesant Park.

Dead Infants.

2 dead infants were found in the Central Park and taken to the Morgue.

Abandoned Children.

4 abandoned children were found during the quarter and taken to Police Headquarters, 1 in Central Park, 1 in Tompkin's Square Park, 1 at Sixty-third street and Ninth avenue Park, and 1 at No. 51 East Sixty-sixth street.

Lost Children.

48 lost children were found in the Central and City parks and restored to their friends or taken to Police Headquarters, 30 of whom were males and 18 females.

Lost Property.

53 articles of lost property were found in the various parks and delivered to the Property Clerk of the Department.

Officers Injured.

10 Policemen have been injured while in the discharge of their duty.

Officer Died.

1 Patrolman died during the quarter.

Resignations.

2 Patrolmen have resigned from the force during the quarter.

Impounded Animals.

5 horses and 2 dogs were impounded at Park Stables, and 15 horses and 44 cows in the Public Pound.

Concerts.

77 concerts have taken place in the Central and other parks and 8 concerts in the Castle Garden during the quarter.

Recapitulation.

Force	304
Resignations	2
Deaths on force	1
Accidents	35
Runaways	26
Collisions	15
Horses and wagons taken to Park Stables	15
Horses taken to Park Stables	2
Wagons taken to Park Stables	7
Attempted suicides	4
Suicides	4
Sick and injured cared for	91
Found drowned	2
Rescued from drowning	2
Sudden deaths	1
Dead infants	2
Abandoned children	4
Lost children	48
Lost property (articles)	53
Impounded animals	5
Concerts	85
Officers injured	10

In view of the great necessity for increased Police supervision of the lower City Parks a sub-station has been established at the cottage in Union Square. A Sergeant has been detailed in charge of the down-town parks, and there are under him about fifty officers. The importance of their work is shown by the number of recent cases of assault and battery, highway robbery and attempted suicide in Battery Park alone during the past quarter. In every case the principal and witnesses were arrested and committed to jail or the House of Detention.

At the request of officers of the National Horse Show Association, the Mounted Park Policemen were permitted to compete for prizes at the recent horse show of the association at Madison Square Garden. The showing made was very creditable.

The average number of men employed in the various works of the Department during the quarter has been as follows :

	JULY.	AUGUST.	SEPTEMBER.
Officers and Clerks	18	18	18
Parkkeepers	307	307	305
Architect	1	1	1
Inspectors	2	4	5
Riverside Park and Avenue	30	30	30
Foremen, Mechanics, Laborers etc.....	487	465	470
New Parks north of Harlem River	44	44	44
Totals.....	889	869	873

APPOINTED.

1 Draughtsman.....	Per month,	\$120 00
1 Foreman	"	100 00
1 Assistant Foreman.....	"	90 00
1 "	"	75 00
1 Steam Engineer	"	90 00
23 Laborers.....	Per day,	1 76
1 Driver	"	2 00

CHANGE OF TITLE AND PAY.

1 Parkkeeper.....	Per year,	\$900 00; to Parkkeeper	Per year,	\$1,150 00
1 "	"	850 00; to "	"	1,150 00
4 Laborers.....	Per day,	1 76; to Laborers.....	Per day,	2 00
1 Laborer.....	"	1 76; to Rockman	"	2 00
1 "	"	1 76; to Driver.....	"	2 00

RESTORED.

28 Laborers	Per day,	\$1 76
2 Plumbers	"	3 50
1 Mason	"	3 50
2 Drivers	"	2 00

DISCHARGED AND DROPPED.

1 Draughtsman.....	Per month,	\$100 00
78 Laborers.....	Per day,	1 76
1 Plumber.....	"	3 50
4 Drivers.....	"	2 00

6	Gardeners.....	Per day	\$2 00
1	Cartman.....	"	3 00
2	Painters.....	"	3 00
3	Double Teams.....	"	4 50
1	Steam Engineer.....	"	3 00
1	Mason.....	"	3 50
2	Laborers.....	"	2 00
4	Police Tailors.....	"	2 00

Horses and wagons cared for and animals impounded, also loads of grass and fruit sold for the quarter ending September 30, 1891:

34	Horses and wagons cared for:.....	\$34 50
1	Horse impounded.....	2 00
38	Loads of grass sold.....	38 00
	Fruit at Van Cortlandt Park.....	5 00
	Total.....	<u>\$79 50</u>

The following statement will show the number and character of permits issued during the quarter:

For openings for sewer connections.....	2
" placing building materials on street.....	9
" crossing sidewalk with teams.....	2
" display of fireworks in Claremont Park.....	1
" camping in Pelham Bay Park.....	1
" hacks to stand on Fifth avenue.....	2
" bathing in Bronx river.....	1
" inspecting house, Van Cortlandt Park.....	1
" erecting horse-shed, Pelham Park.....	1
" removing material from Bronx Park.....	1
" passing through parks with four and six in hands.....	2
" Grant Monument Association to make opening in Riverside Park.....	1
" repairing vaults in Pelham Bay Park.....	2
" Consolidated Gas Company to make street openings.....	3
" removing and replacing sidewalk, Fifth avenue.....	2
" depositing and laying water-pipe, Pelham Park.....	2
" Broadway Cable Company to place paving-stones at Park.....	2
" passing over Morningside Park with watering-carts.....	1
" testing fire-engine, St. Mary's Park.....	1
" Fire Department to open street for subway connection.....	1
" erecting guy-posts.....	3
" "Morning Journal" to erect electric-light pole and platform in Castle Garden.....	2
" Empire Subway Company to use streets for material.....	2

For removing property from East River Park.....	2
“ photographing and sketching.....	359
“ lawn tennis.....	86
“ croquet.....	352
“ velocipedes, tricycles, etc.....	517
“ storing miniature yachts at Conservatory lake.....	5
“ gathering insects.....	2
“ picnics, Central and New Parks.....	32
“ cricket.....	6
“ la crosse.....	1
“ studying botany.....	2
“ baseball.....	4
“ football.....	3
“ athletic games.....	1
“ entering park with wagons.....	14
“ Sicilian Asphalt Company to deliver materials at Mount Morris Park.....	1
“ bivouacking in Van Cortlandt Park.....	3
“ entering gates after the hour of closing.....	3
“ boating on Van Cortlandt lake.....	2
“ United Electric Light and Power Company to replace poles.....	1
“ Italian Society to assemble in Washington Square.....	1
“ exercising battery in Claremont Park.....	1
“ erecting temporary stands near Van Cortlandt Park.....	1
“ placing building materials on sidewalk at Riverside Park.....	1
“ using ladies' cottage, Union Square, for review, etc.....	6
“ erecting stands for mass-meetings.....	4
“ gathering autumn leaves.....	571

Bills and pay-rolls, amounting to the sum of \$502,481.39, have been audited and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment :

Bills.....	\$311,908 74
Pay-rolls.....	190,572 65
Cash deposited with the Chamberlain.....	17,071 14

By order of the Department of Public Parks.

A. GALLUP, President.

CHARLES DEF. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 1892—STATED MEETING, 11 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

Mr. E. G. Marsh, representing 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 advertisements duly published in the CITY RECORD for the construction of a bridge over the Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, together with the Jerome avenue approach thereto, to take the place of existing McComb's Dam or Central Bridge, and in connection with viaduct now building on said street.

Chapter 207, Laws of 1890.

ITEMS.		T. & A. WALSH.				
		Price.	Spec. "M."	Spec. "N" & Dry Wall.	Rk. Asp.	Tr. Asp.
Specification "A."	1. Dredging, 6,600 yds.....	\$1 00	\$6,600 00	\$6,600 00	.....	.....
	2. Pn. caissons, 3,872 yds.....	37 80	146,361 60	146,361 60	.....	.....
	3. Coffor dam, 2,000 yds.....	23 80	47,600 00	47,600 00	.....	.....
	4. Land pier, ex., 1,800 yds.....	2 60	4,680 00	4,680 00	.....	.....
	5. Piling 40 ft., 200	8 00	1,600 00	1,600 00	.....	.....
	6. Piling 60 ft., 600.....	12 00	7,200 00	7,200 00	.....	.....
	7. Y. P. timber grillages, 86 M. ft.....	40 00	3,440 00	3,440 00	.....	.....
	8. Crib tenders, 575,000 ft.....	6½	37,375 00	37,375 00	.....	.....
	9. Y. P. timber fenders, 130,000 ft.....	40 00	5,200 00	5,200 00	.....	.....
	10. Masonry, Piers 1 and 3, 2,500 yds.....	25 30	63,250 00	63,250 00	.....	.....
	11. Masonry, Pier 2, 1,000 yds.....	23 20	23,200 00	23,200 00	.....	.....
	12. Masonry, Piers 4, 5, 6, 7, 3,450 yds.....	26 70	92,115 00	92,115 00	.....	.....
	13. Pedestals, Piers 4, 5, 6, 7, 2,500 cu. ft.....	2 60	6,500 00	6,500 00	.....	.....
	14. Dressed surfaces, 20,000 sq. ft.....	93	18,600 00	18,600 00	.....	.....
	15. Watchmen's houses, 4.....	1,600 00	6,400 00	6,400 00	.....	.....
	16. Metal draw-span, 2,419,000 lbs.....	049	118,531 00	118,531 00	.....	.....
	17. Metal turn-table, 750,000 lbs.....	05½	48,750 00	48,750 00	.....	.....
	18. Metal fixed spans, 1,360,000 lbs.....	043	58,480 00	58,480 00	.....	.....
	19. Ornamental work.....	2,150 00	2,150 00	2,150 00	.....	.....
	20. Draw machinery.....	15,000 00	15,000 00	15,000 00	.....	.....
	21. Fitting up engine-room.....	2,375 00	2,375 00	2,375 00	.....	.....
	22. Railing on draw, 824 ft.....	23 00	18,952 00	18,952 00	.....	.....
	23. Railing on fixed spans, 630 ft.....	14 30	9,009 00	9,009 00	.....	.....
	24. Single lights, draw, 64.....	38 00	2,432 00	2,432 00	.....	.....
	25. Cluster lamps, fixed sp., 8.....	260 00	2,080 00	2,080 00	.....	.....
	26. Cast-iron gratings, 25,500 lbs.....	03½	892 50	892 50	.....	.....
	27. Gas-pipe main, 1,500 ft.....	1 35	2,025 00	2,025 00	.....	.....
	28. Extra coat paint.....	2,700 00	2,700 00	2,700 00	.....	.....
	29. Removing bridge, etc.....	4,000 00	4,000 00	4,000 00	.....	.....
Specification "B."	30. Pier excavation, 4,000 yds.....	1 65	6,600 00	6,600 00	.....	.....
	31. Abutment and wall excavation, 1,200 yds.....	80	960 00	960 00	.....	.....
	32. Grading excavation, 500 yds.....	55	275 00	275 00	.....	.....
	33. Piling, 40 ft.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	34. Piling, 60 ft., 600.....	12 00	7,200 00	7,200 00	.....	.....
	35. Piling, 70 ft., 720.....	12 00	8,640 00	8,640 00	.....	.....

Bids.

ARTHUR McMULLEN.					THE PASSAIC ROLLING MILL COMPANY.				
Price.	"M."	"N" and Dry Wall.	Rk. Asp.	Tr. Asp.	Price.	"M."	"N" and Dry Wall.	Rk. Asp.	Tr. Asp.
\$1 75	\$11,550 00	\$11,550 00	.....	.....	\$1 75	\$11,550 00	\$11,550 00	.....	.....
34 50	133,584 00	133,584 00	.....	.....	36 00	139,392 00	139,392 00	.....	.....
23 50	47,000 00	47,000 00	.....	.....	20 00	40,000 00	40,000 00	.....	.....
2 00	3,600 00	3,600 00	.....	.....	2 50	4,500 00	4,500 00	.....	.....
8 00	1,600 00	1,600 00	.....	.....	7 00	1,400 00	1,400 00	.....	.....
12 50	7,500 00	7,500 00	.....	.....	10 00	6,000 00	6,000 00	.....	.....
35 00	3,010 00	3,010 00	.....	.....	40 00	3,440 00	3,440 00	.....	.....
065	37,375 00	37,375 00	.....	.....	07	40,250 00	40,250 00	.....	.....
40 00	5,200 00	5,200 00	.....	.....	40 00	5,200 00	5,200 00	.....	.....
24 00	60,000 00	60,000 00	.....	.....	21 00	52,500 00	52,500 00	.....	.....
24 00	24,000 00	24,000 00	.....	.....	15 50	15,500 00	15,500 00	.....	.....
26 00	89,700 00	89,700 00	.....	.....	23 00	79,350 00	79,350 00	.....	.....
2 00	5,000 00	5,000 00	.....	.....	1 90	4,750 00	4,750 00	.....	.....
85	17,000 00	17,000 00	.....	.....	80	16,000 00	16,000 00	.....	.....
1,500 00	6,000 00	6,000 00	.....	.....	1,500 00	6,000 00	6,000 00	.....	.....
0414	100,146 60	100,146 60	.....	.....	0464	112,241 60	112,141 60	.....	.....
066	49,500 00	49,500 00	.....	.....	0654	49,050 00	49,050 00	.....	.....
0395	53,720 00	53,720 00	.....	.....	0436	59,296 00	59,296 00	.....	.....
2,130 00	2,130 00	2,130 00	.....	.....	2,245 00	2,245 00	2,245 00	.....	.....
14,800 00	14,800 00	14,800 00	.....	.....	15,600 00	15,600 00	15,600 00	.....	.....
2,250 00	2,250 00	2,250 00	.....	.....	2,500 00	2,500 00	2,500 00	.....	.....
21 00	17,304 00	17,304 00	.....	.....	21 50	17,716 00	17,716 00	.....	.....
15 00	9,450 00	9,450 00	.....	.....	15 50	9,765 00	9,765 00	.....	.....
52 00	3,328 00	3,328 00	.....	.....	55 00	3,520 00	3,520 00	.....	.....
120 00	960 00	960 00	.....	.....	125 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....	.....
035	892 50	892 50	.....	.....	03½	892 50	892 50	.....	.....
1 40	2,100 00	2,100 00	.....	.....	1 40	2,100 00	2,100 00	.....	.....
2,000 00	2,000 00	2,000 00	.....	.....	2,500 00	2,500 00	2,500 00	.....	.....
4,000 00	4,000 00	4,000 00	.....	.....	4,000 00	4,000 00	4,000 00	.....	.....
2 00	8,000 00	8,000 00	.....	.....	2 75	11,000 00	11,000 00	.....	.....
1 00	1,200 00	1,200 00	.....	.....	40	480 00	480 00	.....	.....
50	250 00	250 00	.....	.....	25	125 00	125 00	.....	.....
8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
12 50	7,500 00	7,500 00	.....	.....	11 00	6,600 00	6,600 00	.....	.....
15 00	10,800 00	10,800 00	.....	.....	15 00	10,800 00	10,800 00	.....	.....

ITEMS.		T. & A. WALSH.					
		Price.	Spec. "M."	Spec. "N" & Dry Wall.	Rk. Asp.	Tr. Asp.	
Specification "B,"	36. Y. P. timber grillages, 121 M. ft.....	\$40 00	\$4,840 00	\$4,840 00	.....	.....
	37. Masonry, specimen "M," 5,314 yds.....	24 80	131,787 20	.....	.....	.....
	38. Masonry, specimen "N," 5,314 yds.....	23 00	.....	122,222 00	.....	.....
	39. Granite coping piers, 5,115 cu. ft.....	2 25	11,508 75	11,508 85	.....	.....
	40. Concrete abutment foundation, 200 yds.....	5 60	1,120 00	1,120 00	.....	.....
	41. Abutment masonry "M," 650 yds.....	23 50	15,275 00	.....	.....	.....
	42. Abutment masonry "N," 650 yds.....	21 50	.....	13,975 00	.....	.....
	43. Abutment coping, 600 cu. ft.....	2 25	1,350 00	1,350 00	.....	.....
	44. Abutment newels, 2,000 cu. ft.....	2 60	5,200 00	5,200 00	.....	.....
	45. Dry retaining-wall "N," 2,675 yds.....	5 20	.....	13,910 00	.....	.....
	46. Mortar retaining-wall "M," 2,675 yds.....	5 80	15,515 00	.....	.....	.....
	47. Coping retaining-wall, 1,800 cu. ft.....	2 40	4,320 00	4,320 00	.....	.....
	48. Borrowed filling, 8,500 yds.....	70	5,950 00	5,950 00	.....	.....
	49. Metal work, 4,057,000 lbs.....	043	174,451 00	174,451 00	.....	.....
	50. Gas-pipe, 2,000 ft.....	1 30	2,600 00	2,600 00	.....	.....
	51. Drainage gratings, 20.....	16 00	320 00	320 00	.....	.....
	52. Additional coat paint.....	3,600 00	3,600 00	3,600 00	.....	.....
	"A" and "B,"	53. Rock asphalt sidewalk, 3,990 yds.....	2 25	\$8,977 50
		54. Trinidad asphalt sidewalk, 3,990 yds.....	1 75	\$6,982 50
		55. Rock asphalt roadway, 9,860 yds.....	3 45	34,017 00
		56. Trinidad asphalt roadway, 9,860 yds.....	2 95	29,087 00
Rock asphalt.....	.....	\$1,159,010 05	\$1,145,539 85	\$42,994 50	\$36,069 50	.....
"M" with rock asphalt.....	.....	42,994 50	42,994 50	.....	.....	.....
Trinidad asphalt.....	.....	\$1,202,004 55	\$1,189,534 35	.....	.....	.....
"M" with Trinidad asphalt.....	.....	\$36,069 50	\$36,069 50	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	\$1,195,079 55	\$1,182,609 35	.....	.....	.....
General Totals.	"M" with rock asphalt.....	.....	\$1,202,004 55	.....	.....	.....
	"M" with Trinidad asphalt.....	.....	1,195,079 55	.....	.....	.....
	"N" with rock asphalt and dry wall.....	.....	1,189,534 35	.....	.....	.....
	"N" with Trinidad asphalt and dry wall.....	.....	1,182,609 35	.....	.....	.....

ARTHUR McMULLEN.					THE PASSAIC ROLLING MILL COMPANY.				
Price.	"M."	"N" and Dry Wall.	Rk. Asp.	Tr. Asp.	Price.	"M."	"N" and Dry Wall.	Rk. Asp.	Tr. Asp.
\$35 00	\$4,235 00	\$4,235 00	.....	.....	\$40 00	\$4,840 00	\$4,840 00	.....	.....
26 00	138,164 00	.....	.....	.....	16 00	85,024 00	.....	.....	.....
15 00	.....	79,710 00	.....	.....	12 25	.....	65,096 50	.....	.....
2 00	10,230 00	10,230 00	.....	.....	2 30	11,764 50	11,764 50	.....	.....
6 50	1,300 00	1,300 00	.....	.....	5 50	1,100 00	1,100 00	.....	.....
22 50	14,625 00	.....	.....	.....	15 00	9,750 00	.....	.....	.....
15 00	.....	9,750 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	6,500 00	.....	.....
2 00	1,200 00	1,200 00	.....	.....	2 30	1,380 00	1,380 00	.....	.....
2 00	4,000 00	4,000 00	.....	.....	1 75	3,500 00	3,500 00	.....	.....
5 00	.....	13,375 00	.....	.....	2 75	.....	7,356 25	.....	.....
6 00	16,050 00	.....	.....	.....	4 50	12,037 50	.....	.....	.....
2 75	4,950 00	4,950 00	.....	.....	2 30	4,140 00	4,140 00	.....	.....
50	4,250 00	4,250 00	.....	.....	40	3,400 00	3,400 00	.....	.....
0395	160,251 50	160,251 50	.....	.....	0436	176,885 20	176,885 20	.....	.....
45	900 00	900 00	.....	.....	45	900 00	900 00	.....	.....
30 00	600 00	600 00	.....	.....	30 00	600 00	600 00	.....	.....
1,500 00	1,500 00	1,500 00	.....	.....	2,008 00	2,000 00	2,000 00	.....	.....
4 00	.....	.....	\$15,960 00	.....	2 75	.....	.....	\$10,972 50	.....
1 75	.....	.....	.....	\$6,982 50	1 75	.....	.....	.....	\$6,982 50
4 25	.....	.....	41,905 00	.....	3 75	.....	.....	36,975 00	.....
2 95	.....	.....	.....	23,087 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	29,580 00
.....	\$1,104,705 60	\$1,038,701 60	\$57,865 00	\$36,069 50	.....	\$1,054,584 30	\$1,067,225 55	\$47,947 50	\$36,552 50
.....	57,865 00	57,865 00	.....	.....	.....	47,947 50	47,947 50	.....	.....
.....	\$1,162,570 60	\$1,096,566 60	.....	.....	.....	\$1,102,531 80	\$1,074,673 05	.....	.....
.....	\$36,069 50	\$36,069 50	.....	.....	.....	\$36,562 50	\$36,562 50	.....	.....
.....	\$1,140,775 10	\$1,074,771 10	.....	.....	.....	\$1,091,146 80	\$1,063,288 05	.....	.....
	\$1,162,570 60					\$1,102,531 80			
	1,140,775 10					1,091,146 80			
	1,096,566 60					1,074,673 05			
	1,074,771 10					1,063,288 05			

	ITEMS.	UNION BRIDGE COMPANY.				
		Price.	Spec. "M."	Spec. "N" & Dry Wall.	Rk. Asp.	Tr. Asp.
Specification "A."	1. Dredging, 6,600 yds.....	\$1 00	\$6,600 00	\$6,600 00	.....	.....
	2. Ph. caissons, 3,872 yds.....	38 00	147,136 00	147,136 00	.....	.....
	3. Cofferdam, 2,000 yds.....	23 00	46,000 00	46,000 00	.....	.....
	4. Land pier, ex., 1,800 yds.....	2 50	4,500 00	4,500 00	.....	.....
	5. Piling, 40 ft., 200.....	7 00	1,400 00	1,400 00	.....	.....
	6. Piling, 60 ft., 600.....	10 00	6,000 00	6,000 00	.....	.....
	7. Y. P. timber grillages, 86 M. ft.....	35 00	3,010 00	3,010 00	.....	.....
	8. Crib fenders, 575,000 ft.....	06½	37,375 00	37,375 00	.....	.....
	9. Y. P. timber fenders, 130,000 M. ft.....	35 00	4,550 00	4,550 00	.....	.....
	10. Masonry, Piers 1 and 3, 2,500 yds.....	24 00	60,000 00	60,000 00	.....	.....
	11. Masonry, Pier 2, 1,000 yds.....	22 00	22,000 00	22,000 00	.....	.....
	12. Masonry, Piers 4, 5, 6, 7, 3,450 yds.....	27 00	93,150 00	93,150 00	.....	.....
	13. Pedestals, Piers 4, 5, 6, 7, 2,500 cu. ft.....	1 90	4,750 00	4,750 00	.....	.....
	14. Dressed surfaces, 20,000 sq. ft.....	86	17,200 00	17,200 00	.....	.....
	15. Watchmen's houses, 4.....	1,500 00	6,000 00	6,000 00	.....	.....
	16. Metal draw-span, 2,419,000 lbs.....	0414	100,146 60	100,146 60	.....	.....
	17. Metal turn-table, 750,000 lbs.....	0606	49,500 00	49,500 00	.....	.....
	18. Metal fixed spans, 1,360,000 lbs.....	0395	53,720 00	53,720 00	.....	.....
	19. Ornamental work.....	2,130 00	2,130 00	2,130 00	.....	.....
20. Draw machinery.....	14,800 00	14,800 00	14,800 00	.....	.....
21. Fitting up engine-room.....	2,250 00	2,250 00	2,250 00	.....	.....
22. Railing on draw, 824 ft.....	15 00	12,360 00	12,360 00	.....	.....
23. Railing on fixed spans, 630 ft.....	13 50	8,505 00	8,505 00	.....	.....
24. Single lights, draw, 64.....	48 00	3,072 00	3,072 00	.....	.....
25. Cluster lamps, fixed sp., 8.....	120 00	960 00	960 00	.....	.....
26. Cast-iron gratings, 25,500 lbs.....	0350	892 50	892 50	.....	.....
27. Gas-pipe main, 1,500 ft.....	1 40	2,100 00	2,100 00	.....	.....
28. Extra coat paint.....	2,000 00	2,000 00	2,000 00	.....	.....
29. Removing bridge, etc.....	5,000 00	5,000 00	5,000 00	.....	.....
Specification "B."	30. Pier excavation, 4,000 yds.....	2 50	10,000 00	10,000 00	.....	.....
	31. Abutment and wall excavation, 1,200 yds.....	50	600 00	600 00	.....	.....
	32. Grading excavation, 500 yds.....	50	250 00	250 00	.....	.....
	33. Piling, 40 ft.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	34. Piling, 60 ft., 600.....	11 00	6,600 00	6,600 00	.....	.....
	35. Piling, 70 ft., 720.....	15 00	10,800 00	10,800 00	.....	.....

Bias.

THE KING BRIDGE COMPANY.					HART, ANDERSON & BARR.				
Price.	"M."	"N" and Dry Wall.	Rk. Asp.	Tr. Asp.	Price.	"M."	"N" and Dry Wall	Rk. Asp.	Tr. Asp.
\$1 00	\$6,600 00	\$6,600 00	.....	.....	\$1 50	\$9,900 00	\$9,900 00	.....	.....
38 80	150,233 60	150,233 60	.....	.....	40 00	154,880 00	154,880 00	.....	.....
23 00	46,000 00	46,000 00	.....	.....	25 00	50,000 00	50,000 00	.....	.....
3 00	5,400 00	5,400 00	.....	.....	3 00	5,400 00	5,400 00	.....	.....
7 00	1,400 00	1,400 00	.....	.....	9 50	1,900 00	1,900 00	.....	.....
10 00	6,000 00	6,000 00	.....	.....	10 00	6,000 00	6,000 00	.....	.....
35 00	3,010 00	3,010 00	.....	.....	40 00	3,440 00	3,440 00	.....	.....
06½	37,375 00	37,375 00	.....	.....	06	34,500 00	34,500 00	.....	.....
35 00	4,550 00	4,550 00	.....	.....	40 00	5,200 00	5,200 00	.....	.....
24 00	60,000 00	60,000 00	.....	.....	25 00	62,500 00	62,500 00	.....	.....
22 00	22,000 00	22,000 00	.....	.....	19 00	19,000 00	19,500 00	.....	.....
27 00	93,150 00	93,150 00	.....	.....	25 00	86,250 00	86,250 00	.....	.....
1 90	4,750 00	4,750 00	.....	.....	2 00	5,000 00	5,000 00	.....	.....
86	17,200 00	17,200 00	.....	.....	1 00	20,000 00	20,000 00	.....	.....
1,500 00	6,000 00	6,000 00	.....	.....	1,250 00	5,000 00	5,000 00	.....	.....
0445	107,645 50	107,645 50	.....	.....	0425	102,323 70	102,323 70	.....	.....
06	45,000 00	45,000 00	.....	.....	0638	47,850 00	47,850 00	.....	.....
0415	56,440 00	56,440 00	.....	.....	0385	52,360 00	52,360 00	.....	.....
2,200 00	2,200 00	2,200 00	.....	.....	2,245 00	2,245 00	2,245 00	.....	.....
15,000 00	15,000 00	15,000 00	.....	.....	14,800 00	14,800 00	14,800 00	.....	.....
2,300 00	2,300 00	2,300 00	.....	.....	2,250 00	2,250 00	2,250 00	.....	.....
20 00	16,480 00	16,480 00	.....	.....	21 50	17,716 00	17,717 00	.....	.....
15 00	9,450 00	9,450 00	.....	.....	15 50	9,765 00	9,765 00	.....	.....
55 00	3,520 00	3,520 00	.....	.....	55 00	3,520 00	3,520 00	.....	.....
125 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....	.....	125 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....	.....
04	1,020 00	1,020 00	.....	.....	03½	892 50	892 50	.....	.....
1 50	2,250 00	2,250 00	.....	.....	1 40	2,100 00	2,100 00	.....	.....
2,500 00	2,500 00	2,500 00	.....	.....	2,500 00	2,500 00	2,500 00	.....	.....
4,000 00	4,000 00	4,000 00	.....	.....	6,000 00	6,000 00	6,000 00	.....	.....
3 00	12,000 00	12,000 00	.....	.....	2 00	8,000 00	8,000 00	.....	.....
50	600 00	600 00	.....	.....	50	600 00	600 00	.....	.....
50	250 00	250 00	.....	.....	25	125 00	125 00	.....	.....
8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 50	.....	.....	.....	.....
11 00	6,600 00	6,600 00	.....	.....	10 00	6,000 00	6,000 00	.....	.....
15 00	10,800 00	10,800 00	.....	.....	15 00	10,800 00	10,800 00	.....	.....

ITEMS.		UNION BRIDGE COMPANY.				
		Price.	Spec. "M."	Spec. "N" & Dry Wall.	Rk. Asp.	Tr. Asp.
Specification "B."	36. Y. P. timber grillages, 121 M. ft.....	\$35 00	\$4,235 00	\$4,235 00	.....	.....
	37. Masonry, specimen "M," 5,314 yds.....	24 00	127,536 00	.....	.....	.....
	38. Masonry, specimen "N," 5,314 yds.....	15 00	.....	85,024 00	.....	.....
	39. Granite coping piers, 5,115 cu. ft.....	2 00	10,230 00	10,230 00	.....	.....
	40. Concrete abutment foundation, 200 yds.....	6 00	1,200 00	1,200 00	.....	.....
	41. Abutment masonry "M," 650 yds.....	25 00	16,250 00	.....	.....	.....
	42. Abutment masonry "N," 650 yds.....	15 00	.....	9,750 00	.....	.....
	43. Abutment coping, 600 cu. ft.....	2 00	1,200 00	1,200 00	.....	.....
	44. Abutment newels, 2,000 cu. ft.....	2 00	4,000 00	4,000 00	.....	.....
	45. Dry retaining-wall "N," 2,675 yds.....	3 00	.....	8,025 00	.....	.....
	46. Mortar retaining-wall "M," 2,675 yds.....	5 00	13,375 00	.....	.....	.....
	47. Coping retaining-wall, 1,800 cu. ft.....	2 70	4,860 00	4,860 00	.....	.....
	48. Borrowed filling, 8,500 yds.....	50	4,250 00	4,250 00	.....	.....
	49. Metal work, 4,057,000 lbs.....	0395	160,251 50	160,251 50	.....	.....
	50. Gas-pipe, 2,000 ft.....	45	900 00	900 00	.....	.....
	51. Drainage gratings, 20.....	30 00	600 00	600 00	.....	.....
	52. Additional coat paint.....	1,500 00	1,500 00	1,500 00	.....	.....
	53. Rock asphalt sidewalk, 3,990 yds.....	3 95	.....	.....	\$15,760 50	.....
	54. Trinidad asphalt sidewalk, 3,990 yds.....	1 75	.....	.....	.....	\$6,982 50
	55. Rock asphalt roadway, 9,860 yds.....	3 95	.....	.....	38,947 00	.....
	56. Trinidad asphalt roadway, 9,860 yds.....	2 95	.....	.....	.....	29,087 00
	.....	.....	\$1,095,744 60	\$1,041,382 60	\$54,707 50	\$36,069 50
	Rock asphalt.....	.....	54,707 50	54,707 50	.....	.....
	"M" with rock asphalt.....	.....	\$1,150,452 10	\$1,096,090 10	.....	.....
	Trinidad asphalt.....	.....	\$36,069 50	\$36,069 50	.....	.....
"M" with Trinidad asphalt.....	.....	\$1,131,814 10	\$1,077,452 10	.....	.....
General Totals.	"M" with rock asphalt.....	.....	\$1,150,452 10	.....	.....
	"M" with Trinidad asphalt.....	.....	1,131,814 10	.....	.....
	"N" with rock asphalt and dry wall.....	.....	1,096,090 10	.....	.....
	"N" with Trinidad asphalt and dry wall.....	.....	1,077,452 10	.....	.....

THE KING BRIDGE COMPANY.					HART, ANDERSON & BARR.				
Price.	"M."	"N" and Dry Wall.	Rk. Asp.	Tr. Asp.	Price.	"M."	"N" and Dry Wall.	Rk. Asp.	Tr. Asp.
\$35 00	\$4,235 00	\$4,235 00	.....	.....	\$40 00	\$4,840 00	\$4,840 00	.....	.....
24 00	127,536 00	.....	.....	.....	25 00	132,850 00	.....	.....	.....
16 00	.....	85,024 00	.....	.....	12 00	.....	63,768 00	.....	.....
2 00	10,230 00	10,230 00	.....	.....	2 50	12,787 50	12,787 50	.....	.....
6 00	1,200 00	1,200 00	.....	.....	10 00	2,000 00	2,000 00	.....	.....
25 00	16,250 00	.....	.....	.....	25 00	16,250 00	.....	.....	.....
15 00	.....	9,750 00	.....	.....	11 00	.....	7,800 00	.....	.....
2 00	1,200 00	1,200 00	.....	.....	2 50	1,500 00	1,500 00	.....	.....
2 00	4,000 00	4,000 00	.....	.....	1 75	3,500 00	3,500 00	.....	.....
3 00	.....	8,025 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	13,375 00	.....	.....
5 00	13,375 00	.....	.....	.....	7 00	18,725 00	.....	.....	.....
2 70	4,860 00	4,860 00	.....	.....	3 00	5,400 00	5,400 00	.....	.....
50	4,250 00	4,250 00	.....	.....	50	4,250 00	4,250 00	.....	.....
0415	168,365 50	168,365 50	.....	.....	0385	156,194 50	156,194 50	.....	.....
50	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....	.....	45	900 00	900 00	.....	.....
35 00	700 00	700 00	.....	.....	30 00	600 00	600 00	.....	.....
2,000 00	2,000 00	2,200 00	.....	.....	2,000 00	2,000 00	2,000 00	.....	.....
3 95	.....	.....	\$15,760 50	.....	4 00	.....	.....	\$15,600 00	.....
1 75	.....	.....	.....	\$6,982 50	2 50	.....	.....	.....	\$9,975 00
3 95	.....	.....	38,947 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	49,300 00	.....
2 95	.....	.....	.....	29,087 00	3 50	.....	.....	.....	34,510 00
.....	\$1,121,925 60	\$1,067,563 60	\$54,707 50	\$36,069 50	.....	\$1,121,614 20	\$1,038,732 20	\$65,260 00	\$44,485 00
.....	54,707 50	54,707 50	.....	.....	.....	65,260 00	65,260 00	.....	.....
.....	\$1,176,633 10	\$1,122,271 10	.....	.....	.....	\$1,186,874 20	\$1,102,992 20	.....	.....
.....	\$36,069 50	\$36,069 50	\$44,485 00	\$44,485 00
.....	\$1,157,995 10	\$1,103,633 10	\$1,166,099 20	\$1,083,217 20
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A. P. Boller, Consulting Engineer, appeared before the Board and recommended that arrangement be made with the Department of Public Works to use the engineering force at present engaged on the One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Street Viaduct, by extending their jurisdiction over the bridge work, the expense to be divided between the two Departments.

The question of the initiation of proceedings for obtaining right of way, and the procurement of quarters for the engineering force was also discussed.

The minutes of the meetings of January 27 and 28, and February 3 and 10, were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

From the Mayor, enclosing a letter from the Columbus Monument Committee asking permission to use Castle Garden for the purpose of holding a fair in aid of the Monument fund.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, permission was granted the committee to use Castle Garden for two weeks during the month of June next, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Comptroller, asking information respecting jurisdiction of the water-front at Castle Garden.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Sinking Fund Commission was requested not to make any permanent assignment of the water-front to the Dock Department, as this Department is about preparing plans for the permanent improvement of Castle Garden and the adjoining grounds.

From the West Seventy-second Street Association, in relation to the improvement of West Seventy-second street as a parkway, and asking that the Department cause the removal of the elevated railway columns from the centre of the street and the stairway at the northwest corner to conform with the one at the southeast corner. Filed.

From Judson Lawson and Alexander Walker, in relation to Assembly Bill No. 615, providing for the acquisition by the City of the water-front along Riverside Park.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, the said bill was approved, the Department being in favor of a water-front for Riverside Park, in order to prevent the erection of nuisances or objectionable features.

From David Leventritt, in relation to the proposed site for the Columbus Monument.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, the President was requested to confer with a responsible committee in relation to the alleged dissatisfaction with the site designated, and receive suggestions as to other locations.

From W. R. McClure, suggesting the purchase of the triangular plot of ground at the junction of Seventh and St. Nicholas avenues, and the erection of a statute of General Sherman thereon. Filed.

From R. M. Hunt, applying for permission to erect a roof over a carriage porch on the dwelling of Elbridge T. Gerry at the southeast corner of Fifth avenue and Sixty-first street, and also to erect projections on the first and second stories of said dwelling.

Commissioner Dana offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department be and the same hereby is granted Elbridge T. Gerry to build a roof over a carriage porch on the Sixty-first street side of a dwelling to be erected at the southeast corner of Fifth avenue and Sixty-first street ; and also to erect balconies on the first and second stories of the front of said dwelling as shown on a plan submitted by Richard M. Hunt, architect.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From Rev. J. M. Farley, applying for permission for the Sisters of Mercy to occupy three cottages in Pelham Park for the use of the children under their care. William H. Gardiner appeared and was heard in relation thereto. The matter was then laid over.

From Frederick Schlueter, in relation to cleaning the ornamental stone work at the Terrace in the Central Park. Referred to the President.

From the Director of the Menagerie, enclosing a requisition for labor and materials for repairing the monkey-house. Referred to the President.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Submitting specifications for repairing and repaving walks in the City Parks.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the specifications for repaving walks in the City Parks this day submitted be approved and ordered printed, and when 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

2d. Reporting upon a communication from the Comptroller in relation to the quantities charged for on the final estimate of the Sicilian Asphalte Paving Company, under their contract for repairing and repaving walks in the City Parks.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the bill of the Sicilian Asphalte Paving Company, amounting to three hundred and twelve dollars and forty-eight cents (\$312.48), for paving walks in City Parks with rock asphalt be and the same hereby is audited, approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment chargeable against the appropriation for Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs for the year 1891, as follows :

Stuyvesant Square.....	\$73 62
Union Square	15 76
Mount Morris Park.....	223 10

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

3d. Submitting an estimate of the cost of erecting a granite base course and railing around Mount Morris Park in accordance with an accompanying design or plan.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That all action heretofore taken by this Board in approving plans for a coping and railing around Mount Morris Park be and the same hereby is rescinded.

Resolved, That the plan for a coping and railing for the said park this day submitted be approved and forwarded to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for approval, with the request that the Comptroller be authorized and directed to issue bonds to the amount of \$18,250 for doing the work as provided by chapter 575 of the Laws of 1887.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to make applicable to this work the unexpended balance, amounting to \$8,852.22, of the funds heretofore provided for construction work in Mount Morris Park under the provisions of the law above cited.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Superintendent of Parks, submitting an estimate of the quantity of gravel required for use on the park drives.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to insert an advertisement in the CITY RECORD inviting proposals for furnishing and delivering 9,000 cubic yards of gravel, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Landscape Architect and the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Submitting a plan for an entrance to the Central Park at Fifth avenue and Eighty-fifth street.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the said plan was approved and referred to the Engineer of Construction to prepare and submit an estimate of the cost of doing the work.

2d. Submitting a plan showing a proposed location for the erection of a carrousel in the northeasterly part of Central Park. Laid over.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, plans prepared and submitted by the Landscape Architect and Superintendent of Parks, April 24, 1891, for a music stand for Mount Morris Park, were approved and specifications therefor were ordered prepared and printed and when printed and approved as to form the Secretary was directed to insert an advertisement in the CITY RECORD inviting proposals for doing the work by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, the subject of music in the parks during the coming season was referred to the President.

From William H. Russell, architect, applying for permission to erect projecting windows on a dwelling-house at the southeast corner of Fifth avenue and Sixty-fifth street.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department be and the same hereby is given to John Nicholas Brown, Harold Brown and G. W. R. Matteson, trustees for Sophia Augusta Sherman, to erect projecting windows on a dwelling-house at the southeast corner of Sixty-fifth street and Fifth avenue, as shown on a plan submitted by William H. Russell, architect.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, submitting a draft of a bill to prohibit the construction of railroads within the limits of St. Mary's and Bronx Parks.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, said bill was approved, and the President was authorized to have the same introduced in the Legislature, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Superintendent of Parks, the Landscape Architect and the Engineer of Construction were directed to submit as soon as possible plans for the improvement of Manhattan Square, together with an estimate of the cost, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The Secretary presented a statement of moneys received by him and deposited in the City Treasury during the month of February, which was ordered entered upon the minutes, as follows :

Statement of Moneys Deposited in the City Treasury during the Month of February, 1892.

LICENSES.

Feb.	1.	Carl Schmidt.....	\$7 60
"	1.	John T. Jordan.....	7 78
"	2.	Henry Castrop.....	11 15
"	3.	D. F. Sullivan.....	35 83
"	6.	Isidor Isaac & Co. (Casino).....	325 69
"	6.	" (Carrousel).....	14 02
"	8.	William Ward.....	10 06
"	8.	J. H. Keller.....	200 00
"	9.	Gabe Case.....	192 15
"	9.	Augustus Lawrence.....	4 80
"	10.	Charles Schwarz.....	26 21
"	12.	O. H. Riker.....	2 50
"	12.	E. S. Stokes.....	113 85
			\$951 64

SPECIAL FUND—REPAVING.

Feb.	27.	G. A. Beek.....	20 00
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POUND.

Feb. 13. Property Clerk..... \$14 00

SUNDRY RECEIPTS.

Feb. 12. Matt. J. Edgas..... 19 68

RENTS.

Feb. 1. George A. Adee.....	\$41 67	
" 2. Sarah E. Marshall.....	100 00	
" 3. R. Livingston.....	4 50	
" 8. R. M. Watson.....	25 00	
" 23. A. Russie.....	8 00	
" 24. Peter Woolley.....	40 00	
" 24. J. A. Hoeveller.....	60 00	
" 26. G. W. Frost.....	5 00	
" 29. J. W. Munroe.....	150 00	
" 29. P. Roosevelt.....	40 00	
" 29. George A. Adee.....	41 67	
		<u>\$515 84</u>
Total.....		<u>\$1,521 16</u>

The President, 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 :

Consolidated Gas Company, gas.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$115 24	
	Zoological Department.....	36 13	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	30 88	
	Harlem River Bridges—		
	Special Repairs.....	19 50	
			<u>\$201 75</u>
Huffman, Theodore P., forage.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$624 80	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	338 00	
	Zoological Department.....	318 18	
			<u>1,280 98</u>
Mason, F. H. D., petty disbursements.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$180 47	
	Zoological Department.....	25 96	
	Maintenance and Construction		
	New Parks north of Harlem river, etc.....	1 60	
			<u>208 03</u>

Peirce, John, Estimate No. 8.....	Met. Museum of Art—Comple- tion of, 1889.....	\$13,590 00
Tuckerman, Arthur L.....	Met. Museum of Art—Comple- tion of, 1889.....	169 87
		<u>\$15,450 63</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$920 51
Zoological Department.....	380 27
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	368 88
Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs.....	19 50
Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem River, etc..	1 60
Metropolitan Museum of Art, Completion of, Laws 1889.....	13,759 87
	<u>\$15,450 63</u>

Amounting to the sum of fifteen thousand four hundred and fifty dollars and sixty-three cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, March 9, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote:

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—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:

Arnold, David P., beef.....	Zoological Department.....	\$227 50
Barron, James S. & Co., oakum, etc.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	\$7 50
	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance.....	312 88
		<u>320 38</u>
Bucki, Charles L. & Co., yellow pine.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance.....	172 57
Chadborn & Coldwell Manufacturing Com- pany, mower shafts, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance.....	729 28
Decker, Thompson W. & Sons, milk.....	Zoological Department.....	21 70
East River Mill and Lumber Company, The, pine.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	156 70
Fiske, J. W., sample rail.....	Mt. Morris Park—Construction of.....	70 00

Fiss & Doerr, horses	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....		\$570 00
Manhattan Supply Co., The, shovels, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		145 62
Markey, Philip, coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$23 75	
	Zoological Department.....	57 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	38 00	
			<hr/> 118 75
N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Company, The, gas.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		63 25
Patterson Bros., hammers, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		85
Rehm & Co., ensign.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		7 50
Smith, Lawrence F., bolts, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		28 66
Schuyler, G. L. & Co., hemlock and spruce, 1891.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891.....		246 67
			<hr/> <hr/> \$2,879 43

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$2,054 36
Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance, 1891.....	246 67
Zoological Department	306 20
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	202 20
Mt. Morris Park—Construction of.....	70 00
	<hr/> \$2,879 43

Amounting to the sum of two thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine dollars and forty-three cents.

A. GALLUP, }
N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, March 9, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 1 P. M., the Board went into executive session.

A communication was received from the Director of the Menagerie giving a list of animals, birds, etc., not belonging to the Department now on exhibition in the Central Park Menagerie. Filed.

The President presented the following report :

The President reports as follows :

Several complaints have been made lately that vicious dogs have been seen in Central Park and have attacked people. Stringent orders were given to have them exterminated, and they are being shot whenever seen. One of the keepers patrols the park early in the morning for that purpose.

Pursuant to a resolution adopted May 27, 1891, offered by Commissioner Tappen, concerning the use of the dock at Castle Garden for laying up barges, a communication from the Comptroller is laid before the Board. The matter was brought to the attention of the Sinking Fund Commissioners by a letter from this Department written by my direction last year ; and as it appeared that no action was taken, I wrote to the Comptroller on the 18th of February, 1892, requesting to be informed of the amount of wharfage collected from vessels moored at that dock by the Dock Department. I have further written to the Comptroller enclosing a copy of the resolution referred to and suggesting to him that the Dock Department should collect rent from the date when the New York Harbor Tow Boat Company commenced to use that dock.

Concerning the petition of property owners and residents of West Seventy-second street herewith submitted, a reply was written to the effect that this Department had failed to induce the Manhattan Elevated Railway Company to remove its posts at Seventy-second street, and that the work of resurfacing a portion of West Seventy-second street would be commenced as soon as the weather permitted.

The condition of the Menagerie and the conduct of Mr. Conklin have been the subject of inquiry and investigation for some weeks past. It has been customary to permit exhibitors to place animals in the park, in case they furnish food for them, and for several years past there have been three elephants on exhibition. During the past year, however, it is evident that this privilege has been abused. I am informed that animals have been taken to and from the park and used during performances at the El Dorado exhibition at Hoboken. I am also told that at the Thalia Theatre one of the elephants, which did not belong to the Department, however, was taken from the park and was kept at the theatre some days, until it was found that it was too heavy for the stage. I am also informed that several of the animals on exhibition at the Country Circus at the Academy of Music are taken from the park. I am also informed that among these were animals in which Mr. Conklin had an interest, placed in the park, however, by one Myers, who is the nominal owner. Mr. Conklin on February 16, when called upon for a report of the animals which had been taken from the Menagerie for exhibition purposes, concealed the fact that the elephant had been taken away. Upon being further interrogated he reports on March 1 that he had entirely forgotten the occurrence.

I regret to be obliged to inform the Board that in my opinion this series of transactions call for decided action. It is apparent that the Menagerie has been used with the consent of the director as an adjunct to theatrical exhibitions and for the convenience of theatrical and circus managers. It does not appear whether or not Mr. Conklin has received any pecuniary return from them because of his complaisance, but it is clear that an improvement in the administration of the Menagerie is expedient.

The bill to authorize a change in the routes of railroads through St. Mary's and Bronx Parks, heretofore submitted by the Corporation Counsel, was amended by the counsel for the Suburban Railroad Company, and again referred to the Corporation Counsel. He returns the bill to us with his approval.

Upon motion, it was

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Accounts be respectfully requested to investigate the matter referred to in the report of the President, relative to the doings of the Director of the Menagerie, as soon as possible, and to report the facts to this Board.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Whereas, The President heretofore gave a revocable permit to Alfred Skitt to run a car through the Transverse road at Eighty-fifth street, the legality of which is in doubt ; and

Whereas, No compensation is paid for said privilege ;

Resolved, That the said permit be and the same is hereby revoked, and that it be referred to a committee to be appointed by the President to confer with the Sinking Fund Commissioners as to what rates should be charged for such privileges, to the end that the same may be disposed of by public auction, in case such action seems expedient.

Which were adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The President appointed Commissioner Straus as such committee.

The Board then proceeded to consider evidence taken in the trials of Park Policemen.

Charles C. Bradley, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was cautioned.

Frank T. Baldwin, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was cautioned.

James F. McIntyre, charged with neglect of duty, on motion, charge dismissed.

Albert W. McKean, charged with violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

John McCarthy, charged with being absent from duty without leave and intoxication, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Joseph F. Kirby, charged with intoxication, was cautioned.

Thomas Shea, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one-half day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Andrew J. McNulty, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William H. Schultze, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William H. Schultze, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana and Tappen—4.

George Edwards, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one-half day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Charles Baptist, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was cautioned.

Michael F. Tallon, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was cautioned.

William E. Niven, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined seven days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William E. Niven, charged with being absent from roll call, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

John M. Maher, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Reuben E. Hewitt, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

John J. Mitchell, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William Parker, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William J. Reed, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Patrick Nugent, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged, and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

John C. Reyer, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged, and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William J. Dunn, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was found guilty as charged, and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

William J. Dunn, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was cautioned.

Martin J. Crofton, charged with violation of rules, was cautioned.

William Schneider, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged, and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

John McKenna, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was cautioned.

Isaac Dobson, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged, and fined one day's pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Hugh Dunphy, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged, and fined four days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

John F. Mahoney, charged with being off post, was found guilty as charged, and fined four days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 1.45 P.M., the executive session arose and the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, 16th instant, at 11 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 1892—ADJOURNED MEETING, 11 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

The minutes of the meetings of February 17 and 24 were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

From A. P. Boller, Constructing Engineer, recommending the award of the contract for the construction of a bridge over Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street to the lowest bidder.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That a contract for the construction of a bridge over the Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, together with the Jerome avenue approach thereto, for which proposals were received on 9th instant, be and the same hereby is awarded under Specification "M" of the specifications providing for granite stone work, to the Passaic Rolling Mill Company, the lowest bidder, that their proposal be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of the sureties thereon, and when so approved, that the President be authorized to sign the contract for and on behalf of this Department.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to authorize and direct the Comptroller to issue, from time to time, and in such sums as may be required, bonds or stock of the City of New York to the amount of twelve hundred and fifty thousand (1,250,000) dollars, for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing the said bridge and its approaches, including the fees of engineers and inspectors employed thereon, as provided by chapter 207 of the Laws of 1890, as amended by chapter 13 of the Laws of 1892.

Which were adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From A. P., Boller, Constructing Engineer, in relation to his compensation for planning and supervising the construction of the proposed new bridge over Harlem river.

Commissioner Straus offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to modify its resolution of July 24, 1890. approving the appointment and compensation of A. P. Boller as

engineer for the planning and construction of a bridge over Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, so as to authorize a payment of one per cent. of the amount of the contract for building the bridge and approach to be made at the time of the signing of the contract.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Mr. W. H. Gardiner appeared and was heard in the matter of the application of the Sisters of Mercy, for the use and occupation of the Lorillard Cottages in Pelham Bay Park.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, permission was granted the Sisters of Mercy to occupy the said cottages for one year from April 1, next, at a rental of \$1,750 per annum, payable monthly, all repairs necessary to put and maintain the cottages in proper condition to be made by the occupants, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Miss Ida Van Etten and Messrs. W. C. Owen and J. S. Steele, a committee of the Free Speech Association, appeared and were heard in relation to a proposed bill to secure the free use of the public parks and squares for public meetings.

The Commissioners expressed themselves as opposed to such legislation.

From the Columbus Monument Committee, relative to a conference to be had with this Board with reference to the proposed site for the Columbus Monument. Filed.

From Francis Piercy, A. C. Schroeter and other florists, asking permission to use the sidewalks around Canal Street Park as a flower market during the spring months. Laid over.

From John Lucas, applying for a renewal of his license for the donkey service in Central Park. Referred to the President, with power.

From the Property Clerk :

1st. Reporting relative to an auction sale of old horses and useless materials on 9th instant. Filed.

2d. Recommending that a quantity of old police uniforms and other useless materials be disposed of.

On motion, the materials, etc., referred to were ordered sold at public auction.

From the Engineer of Construction, recommending that the work of cleaning the Pond at Fifty-ninth street in Central Park be postponed until fall and that the necessary work be done to put the Pond in a healthful condition for the summer.

Commissioner Dana offered the following :

Resolved, That the recommendations of the Engineer of Construction in relation to the Pond be approved ; that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to authorize the

expenditure of the sum of \$1,000, for carrying out said recommendations from the appropriation made for cleaning the lakes for the current year.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From U. S. Grant Post, G. A. R., applying for permission to decorate the tomb of General Grant and conduct memorial services thereat on Decoration Day next.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, permission was granted as applied for.

Mr. George H. Moore, chairman Horace Greeley Monument Committee, was heard relative to a site for said monument.

Commissioner Dana suggested as a suitable location either of the public places at the junction of Broadway, Seventh avenue, and Forty-third and Forty-seventh streets, which suggestion was approved by the Board, and Mr. Moore was informed that, although this Department had no jurisdiction at those locations, it would do all in its power to obtain the consent necessary.

Mr. Moore stated that he would confer with the committee and recommend the site suggested.

The President submitted copies of Senate Bill No. 614 and Assembly Bill No. 1117 to amend the railroad law, and stated that the exemption therein contained does not apply to the new parks located in Westchester County, and that the bill should be amended so as to exempt all public parks from its provisions.

On motion, the Counsel to the Corporation was requested to have the bill so amended.

The President also submitted a copy of Senate Bill No. 569 and Assembly Bill No. 1086, relative to the Department of Street Cleaning, by the provisions of which this Department is required to clean all streets, etc., under its jurisdiction, and stated that as this Department has no special plant for such work, the cleaning of all paved streets should be continued under the Department of Street Cleaning, and that he had communicated to the Mayor suggesting that the bill be so amended.

On motion, the action of the President was approved.

The President, from 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 :

Haffen, Louis F., petty disbursements.....	Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem river, etc.....	\$69 52
Hess, D. S. & Co., payment acceptance....	American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of, 1887.....	1,900 00

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Hess, D. S. & Co., payment acceptance... American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of, 1889.....	\$2,055 00
	\$4,024 52

RECAPITULATION.

Maintenance and Construction—New Parks north of Harlem River.....	\$69 52
American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of, Laws of 1887.....	1,900 00
American Museum Natural History, Enlargement of, Laws of 1889.....	2,055 00
	\$4,024 52

Amounting to the sum of four thousand and twenty-four dollars and fifty-two cents.

A. GALLUP, N. STRAUS, A. B. TAPPEN,	}	Auditing Committee.
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NEW YORK, March 16, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 12.45 P. M., the Board adjourned.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 1892—SPECIAL MEETING, 11 A. M.

Pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
 NOS. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET, }
 March 18, 1892. }

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, *Esq.*, *Secretary D. P. P.* :

SIR—Please issue notices for a special meeting of the Board to be held at 11 o'clock A. M., March 18, for the consideration of miscellaneous business.

Yours, etc.,

A. GALLUP, }
 PAUL DANA, } Commissioners.
 N. STRAUS, }

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President) Straus, Dana.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction be and he is hereby directed, under the supervision of the Landscape Architect, to forthwith stake out the route and make the necessary surveys, detail plans and specifications to carry out the provisions of the bill to authorize the construction of a public drive in the Central Park in the City of New York, approved March 17, 1892.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana—3.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to authorize the expenditure of \$10,000 by this Department, for salaries of the necessary engineering force to make surveys and prepare a plan and specifications for the work required to be done under and pursuant to an act entitled "An Act to authorize the construction of a public drive in the Central Park in the City of New York," approved March 17, 1892.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana—3.

The President, from 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 :

Hitchcock, Hiram, Treasurer.....	Maintenance — Museums, Metropolitan Museum of Art...	<u>\$1,918 33</u>
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RECAPITULATION.

Maintenance—Museums.....	<u>\$1,918 33</u>
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Amounting to the sum of one thousand nine hundred and eighteen dollars and thirty-three cents.

A. GALLUP, { Auditing Committee.
N. STRAUS, }

NEW YORK, March 18, 1892.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, on motion, the same was approved, and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana—3.

On motion, at 11.30 A.M., the Board adjourned.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 1892—SPECIAL MEETING, 11 A. M.

Pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
 NOS. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET, }
 March 21, 1892. }

Mr. CHARLES DE F. BURNS, *Secretary, etc.* :

SIR—You will please issue notices for a meeting of the Board, to be held Tuesday, 22d instant, at 11 A. M., for the transaction of general business.

Respectfully,

A. GALLUP, }
 PAUL DANA, } Commissioners.
 A. B. TAPPEN, }

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Dana, Tappen.

A communication was received from the Mayor, advising that this Department give a public hearing to all parties interested in the proposed driveway in the Central Park, provided for by Senate Bill No. 444, before further action is taken in the matter.

The President stated that in accordance with the Mayor's suggestion he had given directions for a public hearing on the 23d instant, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Commissioner Dana offered the following :

Whereas, a bill is to be offered in the Legislature to repeal the law authorizing a speedway in Central Park.

Resolved, That the resolution directing the Engineer of the Park Department to examine the route proposed be rescinded, and that the request to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to appropriate \$10,000 for that purpose be recalled.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following as a substitute to the preamble of the above :

Whereas, a public hearing is to be held on March 23, upon the subject of the new drive in Central Park, and

Whereas, This Board is notified that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment pending such hearing will not act upon the resolution regarding the same, passed March 18, 1892, and transmitted to said Board of Estimate.

The question was taken upon the substitute, which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Tappen—2.

No—Commissioner Dana—1.

The question was then taken upon the preamble and resolution as amended, which were adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioner Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The following communications were received :

From the Engineer of Construction, recommending that one of the railroad crossings at the Van Cortlandt station of the New York and Northern Railroad be closed and that the roadway on the easterly side of the railroad be widened as shown on an accompanying sketch.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the recommendations of the Engineer were approved and the work necessary to carry out the same was ordered done by the force of the Department under Engineer Haffen at an expense not exceeding \$250, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

From George P. Morgan, auctioneer, submitting a statement of an auction sale of horses and useless materials. Filed.

From L. F. Haffen, Engineer in charge of the New Parks, submitting a statement of an auction sale of fruit trees in Van Cortlandt Park on 15th instant. Filed.

From the Superintendent of Parks, forwarding, with his approval, applications of James McShane and Louis Plass, Foremen of Gardeners, for an increase of pay. Filed.

The President presented a report upon an application made by Isador Isaac & Co., for the assignment of a suitable place for the sale of refreshments at the Arsenal Building and recommending that the building formerly used for that purpose, and now occupied by the rodents, be again set apart for restaurant purposes.

On motion, the recommendation of the President was approved by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 11.35 A. M. the Board adjourned.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 1892—STATED MEETING, 11 A.M.

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Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

The President announced that in compliance with public notice a hearing would be given in the matter of the proposed driveway in the Central Park.

An opinion from the Counsel to the Corporation that the act providing for the construction of a drive in the Central Park is not mandatory upon the Board of Parks, was received and placed on file.

The following-named associations were represented :

Eighteenth Ward Taxpayers' Association.

Workingmen's Protective League, Harlem Branch.

City Reform Club.

Twelfth and Nineteenth Wards Taxpayers' Association.

Tenth, Eleventh and Seventeenth Wards Taxpayers' Association.

West End Association.

The Republican Club.

The West Eighty-fifth Street Protective Association.

The Citizens' Committee.

The Central Labor Union.

The West End Protective League.

The One and All Association of Furniture Porters, Packers and Drivers.

The associations represented desired to be recorded as follows concerning the proposed driveway :

Eighteenth Ward Taxpayers' Association, against.

The Workingmen's Protective League, in favor.

The City Reform Club, against.

The Twelfth and Nineteenth Wards Taxpayers' Association, against.

The Citizens' Committee, in favor.

Tenth, Eleventh and Seventeenth Wards Taxpayers' Association, against.

The West End Association, against.
The Republican Club, against.
West Eighty-fifth Street Protective Association, against.
Central Labor Union, against.
West End Protective League, against.
The One and All Association, against.

The following gentlemen were heard in the matter :

J. C. Delavergne, in favor.
Henry M. Whitehead, in favor.
F. P. Olcott, in favor.
Robert E. Bonner, in favor.
Henry E. Howland, in opposition.
Representative of the Hoffman estate, in favor.
Elihu Root, in opposition.
W. W. MacFarland, in opposition.
W. Harris Roome, in opposition.
Gustave T. Lawrence, in opposition.
C. N. Bovee, Jr., in opposition.
James D. Lemair, in opposition.
Killiean Van Rensselaer, in opposition.
Thomas P. Masterson, in favor.
Representative of the One and All Association, in opposition.
Cyrus Clark, in opposition.
Charles A. Clark, in opposition.
James A. Deering, in opposition.
Mr. Whitehead submitted a petition in favor of the driveway.

Protests were received from John A. King, Charles W. Plyer, O. B. Potter and the Slate and Metal Roofers' Protective Association.

The hearing was declared closed and at 2.15 P. M. the Board adjourned to meet Thursday, March 24, at 12 M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1892—ADJOURNED MEETING, 12 M.

Present—Commissioner Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

Messrs. David Bonner, John C. Delavergne, Hamilton Busby, Newbold Morris, C. H. Kerner and J. H. Coster appeared and advocated favorable action by the Board in the matter of a new driveway in Central Park.

Mr. Delavergne submitted a statement to the effect that the request for the construction of a soft road, devoted to the use of light wagons only, was withdrawn and asked that a new driveway be constructed similar to the existing drives, with the same regulations as to speed and from which equestrians and bicycles should be excluded.

On motion, at 1.30 P. M., the Board went into executive session.

Commissioner Dana offered the following :

Whereas, By the advice of the Corporation Counsel, Senate Bill No. 444, relating to a new drive in Central Park is not to be considered as mandatory, the Board of Park Commissioners hereby

Resolved, That the road contemplated by the act be not constructed.

Which were adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

No—Commissioner Straus—1.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That this Board examine into the need of larger facilities for driving in the Central Park, and that the Superintendent of Parks and Landscape Architect report thereon to this Board at its next meeting.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The following communications were received :

From the Executive Committee of the Columbus Monument, relative to a conference to be held with this Board on 30th inst. Filed.

From the Secretary of the Civil Service Examining Board, submitting the following list of Park Policemen eligible for promotion to the grade of Roundsmen :

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| Christopher C. Collins. | John Carey. | John Cahill. |
| John F. Purcell. | Frank Greppner. | John Dolan. |
| John V. Taylor. | Michael J. Shea. | John W. Willson. |
| William J. Reed. | | |

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the following-named Park Policemen be and they hereby are promoted to the grade and pay of Roundsmen :

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| Christopher C. Collins. | John Dolan. | John Carey. |
| William J. Reed. | John F. Purcell. | Michael J. Shea. |
| Frank Greppner. | | |

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The President, 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 :

Abeel Brothers, steel and iron	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$85 04	
	Maintenance and Construction		
	New Parks north of Harlem river, etc.	10 64	\$95 68
Aschenbach, Charles F., harness	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		20 00
Barron, James S. & Co., stove polish, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$10 38	
	Zoological Department	20 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs	43 60	
	Maintenance and Construction		
	New Parks north of Harlem river, etc	12 05	86 03
Brandis Manufacturing Co., The, repairs	Entrance to Central Park at W. 106th street		32 50

Colwell Lead Company, packing lead pipe. Harlem River Bridges—Special			
Repairs.....	\$10 05		
Zoological Department.....	39 87		
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			\$49 92
Degan & Fallon, sponges.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		20 00
Fabric Fire Hose Company, hose.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....		28 00
Fiss & Doerr, horses	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....		825 00
Happel, Adam, vault cover.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		4 00
Hodgman Rubber Company, boots.....	Maintenance and Construction New Parks north of Harlem river, etc.....		40 32
Lanier, Charles, Treasurer, salaries, etc....	Maintenance—Museums.....		2,339 91
Loomes, Edward, professional services.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs, 1891	\$42 00	
	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891.....	60 00	
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Loomes, Edward, professional services.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	\$130 00	
	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	135 00	
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			265 00
McLaughlin, James, sand.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		30 00
O'Donnell, N., coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1891.....		5 00
O'Donnell, N., coal	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance, 1892.....	\$30 00	
	Zoological Department.....	10 00	
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			40 00
Keuffel & Esser Company, leveling-rod, etc.	Maintenance and Construction New Parks north of Harlem river, etc.....	\$14 00	
	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	43 95	
	Entrance to Central Park at W. 106th street.....	4 16	
	Improving Plaza at 110th street and Fifth avenue	24 69	
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			86 80
Keuffel & Esser Company, tracing cloth....	Morningside Park—Construction Parapet wall, etc.....		6 08

Keuffel & Esser Company, steel tape, etc. Morningside Park—Improvement of	\$10 85
	\$4,087 09

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.	\$406 37
Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance, 1891	65 00
Zoological Department.	69 87
Police—Supplies and Repairs.	998 60
Police—Supplies and Repairs, 1891.	42 00
Entrance to Central Park at West One Hundred and Sixth street.	36 66
Maintenance—Museums	2,339 91
Morningside Park—Construction of Parapet Wall, etc.	6 08
Morningside Park—Improvement of.	10 85
Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs.	10 05
Improving the Plaza at One Hundred and Tenth street and Fifth avenue.	24 69
Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem River, etc.	77 01
	\$4,087 09

Amounting to the sum of four thousand and eighty-seven dollars and nine cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, March 23, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—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 :

Abeel Brothers, iron, etc. Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.	\$102 43
Coffin, Paul C., empty boxes, etc. Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.	\$25 45
	Police—Supplies and Repairs. 4 35
	29 80
Colwell Lead Company, hoppers, etc. Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.	17 90
Dickinson Bros. & King, cement. Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.	\$21 60
	Police—Supplies and Repairs. 32 40
	54 00

Doty, Thomas H., hay, etc.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs..		\$35 49
Dunham, Thomas C., paints, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance		23 41
East River Mill and Lumber Company, The, pine, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	\$646 14	
	Morningside Park, Improve- ment and Maintenance.....	92 31	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	19 20	
			757 65
Ellis, C. C. & Son, bread.....	Zoological Department.....		100 05
Haggerty, J. Henry, oil.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance		5 05
Herbert, H. L. & Co., coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance.....		23 75
Lawson, William, apples.....	Zoological Department.....		54 00
Manhattan Supply Co., The, cotton waste	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	\$14 98	
	Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs	42 98	
			57 96
McLoughlin, James, broken stone, etc...	Police—Supplies and Repairs..		14 50
Merrill & Wehrle Charcoal Co., charcoal..	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance.....		6 00
Moffat, David & Co., leather.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance		4 97
Mott, J. L. Iron Works, The, gratings, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance		105 52
O'Donnell, N., coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	\$38 00	
	Zoological Department.....	57 00	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	23 75	
			118 75
Smith, Lawrence F., axles.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs..		6 00
Ward, Thomas, coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance.....		78 75
Weathereds, Thomas W. & Sons, grates...	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance		48 00
			<u>\$1,643 98</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	\$1,161 95	
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	135 69	
Zoological Department.....	211 05	
Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs.....	42 98	
Morningside Park, Improvement and Maintenance of.....	92 31	
	<u> </u>	<u>\$1,643 98</u>

Amounting to the sum of one thousand six hundred and forty-three dollars and ninety-eight cents.

A. GALLUP,
 N. STRAUS,
 A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, March 23, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 2.35 P. M. the executive session arose and the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, March 30, at 11 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 1892—ADJOURNED MEETING, 11 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

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

Alderman Mead presented a petition against continuing the flower market at Union Square and stated that he believed that the petitioners were more opposed to the hours during which the flower dealers were permitted to stand at Union Square than to their being at that locality, and that in his opinion they would be satisfied if the hour was changed from 8 to 7 o'clock.

Judge Peter Mitchell, John Nickel, president of the Florists' Association, George Darsley and Alderman Cornelius Flynn were heard in opposition to the continuance of the flower market at Union Square.

The matter was then laid over for consideration at the next meeting in order that ex-Alderman John Morris may be notified that the Board will hear the parties in favor of the Union Square Market.

C. A. Barrattoni, president of the Columbus Monument Committee, appeared and asked that the proposed hearing as to the site for the statue be deferred until the next meeting in order to enable General di Cesnola to be present.

Solomon Kohn and Andrew D. Blessing asked that the improvement of the Plaza at One Hundred and Tenth street and Fifth avenue be proceeded with as speedily as possible.

Dr. E. T. T. Marsh, Police Surgeon, was heard in relation to the Police Pension Bill now before the Legislature.

Commissioner Dana offered the following :

Whereas, The Board of Park Commissioners have examined the question of providing a road in Central Park in accordance with the terms of chapter 142 of the Laws of 1892, and have decided that the road contemplated in that act be not constructed.

Resolved, That the Legislature be requested to repeal the law and that the Governor be requested to give his approval.

Which were adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

The following communications were received :

From the Counsel to the Corporation, in relation to acquiring lands for approaches to the proposed bridge over Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street. Filed.

From the Comptroller, relative to a claim of Richard Deeves and requesting that requisition be made by this Department for the amount of the balance of the sum appropriated for erecting a cottage in Mount Morris Park, to be applied to the payment of said claim.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Secretary was directed to ask the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation as to whether the judgment obtained by Richard Deeves should be paid in the manner proposed.

From the West Side Democratic Club, favoring the repeal of the law providing for a driveway in the Central Park. Filed

From Horace Greeley Post G. A. R., in relation to a site for the statue of Horace Greeley to be erected on the parks. Referred to the President.

From the Chairman of the Horace Greeley Statue Committee, in relation to a site for the statue. Referred to the President.

From Carrere & Hastings, asking permission to erect house projections on premises No. 98 Park avenue.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department be and hereby is given to the erection of projections on the dwelling of W. H. Payne, at the southeast corner of Park avenue and Fortieth street, premises known as No. 98 Park avenue, as shown on a plan submitted by Carrere & Hastings, architects, and filed in this office.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Secretary of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, advising of the death of A. L. Tuckerman, Architect of the Museum, and recommending the appointment of Joseph Wolf in his stead. Laid over.

From the Trustees of the American Museum of Natural History, enclosing an estimate of W. D. McKenzie for constructing one large case on the top floor of the Museum building for the sum of \$700.

On motion, an order was authorized to be issued to W. D. McKenzie for doing the work at an expense not to exceed the amount of his estimate, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gullup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From John Innes Kane, commending Mounted Park Policeman No. 242, for stopping a runaway horse on Riverside Drive on the 24th inst. Filed, with directions that the same be communicated to the force.

From Mary Jeroloman, applying for permission to conduct a bathing beach at the foot of Eighty-ninth street, East River Park. Referred to the President.

From W. H. Gardner, asking permission for the Sisters of Mercy to erect bath-house on the premises occupied by them in Pelham Bay Park. Filed.

From the Police Surgeon and the Acting Captain of Police, reporting the death while on duty on 26th instant of Captain Thomas Beaty of the Park Police Force.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Public Parks with sincere regret have learned of the death of Police Captain Thomas Beaty ; it is with pleasure that they recall his long and faithful service in the Department through all the grades of the police force, and they wish to express their appreciation of those services and to commend his example to all of the present and future members of the force.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From William A. Conklin, resigning his position as Director of the Central Park Menagerie. Accepted.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Submitting a plan for a temporary building to be erected in the vicinity of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street and Harlem river, for the use of the Engineers to be employed on the works of the new bridge.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, an offer of six hundred dollars was authorized to be made for the use of the old Barry Hotel, with lands and sheds, at One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street, for two years, as an office for the Engineers.

2d. Recommending the purchase of a quantity of Thorburn's Lawn Fertilizer for the parade ground in Van Courtlandt Park.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the purchase of ten tons of fertilizer was authorized by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Engineer in charge of the New Parks :

1st. Reporting upon an application of the Suburban Club for permission to play base-ball in Crotona Park. Referred to Commissioner Dana.

2d. Reporting in relation to a stone-crusher for sale at Morris Park Race Course.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, an examination of the stone-crusher by the Master Machinist was ordered as recommended by the Engineer.

From the Superintendent of Parks and the Landscape Architect :

1st. Reporting as to a proper location for a soda-water stand in Mount Morris Park, and recommending that the same be constructed under the floor of the new music-stand. Approved.

2d. Reporting in relation to providing additional driving facilities on the westerly side of Central Park.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Engineer of Construction was directed to furnish the surveys of the west drive desired by the Superintendent and Landscape Architect.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending the acceptance of a quantity of mould offered by A. Kempfner, to be delivered at the sheepfold.

On motion, the acceptance of the mould was authorized.

The President presented the following report :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
 NOS. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET, }
 March 26, 1892. }

The President reports as follows :

Herewith I have the honor to submit a report of the Engineer of Construction, relative to the construction of a road to open Highbridge Park. The property on the southwest of Highbridge Park and between it and Edgecombe road is owned by private individuals. They offer to dedicate to public use a considerable amount of land for a street, as delineated on the map herewith submitted, and to pay for the construction of a road bounding the Highbridge Park on the southwest, provided the Department will co-operate by constructing said road in part on park property. In addition, the offer is made to dedicate to public use sufficient ground to construct a road connecting Edgecombe avenue with the Highbridge Park, opposite Jumel place. The quantity of land to be taken from the park for this road will be approximately one acre. The quantity of land given up by the property owners is about one quarter of an acre. The cost of the road to be paid for by the property owners is about \$8,000. The alternative proposition submitted by the Engineer is to acquire the land in question at the southwest part of the park. It is precipitous, picturesque and contains many fine trees. One plan or the other should be adopted, and inasmuch as Highbridge Park is bounded by Tenth avenue and will have an access thereto, I recommend that the proposition of the property owners be accepted.

Owing to the death of Police Captain Beaty, it became necessary to place a Sergeant in charge of the force temporarily, and the senior Sergeant, Louis Flock, has been so detailed. In his place the senior Roundsman, William J. Morgan, has been placed in charge of the down-town parks temporarily. It therefore becomes necessary to appoint a new Captain under the Civil Service Regulations.

On March 29 the Board of Estimate and Apportionment authorized expenditures for the following works :

To lay out Rutgers Park.

For railing around Mount Morris Park.

For cleaning of pond and laying new water-pipe to increase the supply.

For the construction of the Seventh Avenue Bridge.

The following specifications for work have been approved by the Board, and will be advertised as soon as the contracts are received from the Corporation Counsel, with his approval :

1. Gravel for Central and Riverside Parks.
2. Railing for Fourth Avenue Parks.
3. Granite-work for Fourth Avenue Parks.
4. One Hundred and Sixth street entrance to Central Park.
5. Asphalt walks in City Parks.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the licensees occupying the park buildings known as McGowan's Pass Tavern, Claremont and Highbridge Park Hotels, be authorized to pay the premiums for a renewal of the insurance on said buildings, the amounts to be credited on account of their license fees, upon their presenting vouchers showing that such premiums had been paid.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The Secretary submitted the following estimates for painting the bird-house at the Central Park Menagerie :

Joseph Moore.....	\$350 00
Thomas M. Nugent.....	248 00
M. Breen.....	238 00
E. H. Treadwell & Co.....	125 00
	\$126 98

On motion, the estimates were referred to the President, with power, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The President, 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 :

Cady, J. C. & Co., professional services,

American Museum of Natural History.. American Museum of Natural

History, Enlargement of,

Laws of 1887..... \$126 98

American Museum of Natural

History, Enlargement of,

Laws of 1889..... 219 25

\$346 23

RECAPITULATION.

American Museum of Natural History, Enlargement of, Laws 1887.....	\$126 98	
American Museum of Natural History, Enlargement of, Laws 1889.....	219 25	
		<u>\$346 23</u>

Amounting to the sum of three hundred and forty-six dollars and twenty-three cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, March 30, 1892.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed, on motion, the same was approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Civil Service Examining Board be requested to examine Roundsmen William J. Morgan, Christopher C. Collins, Thomas Wallace, James J. Dillon, John J. McKenna and William E. Eagan as to their fitness for promotion to the grade of Sergeant.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, the Civil Service Boards were requested to create the position of Director of the Aquarium in this Department.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Civil Service Examining Board was requested to fix an early date for the examination of applicants for the position of Director of the Menagerie.

On motion, at 1.50 P. M., the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, April 6, at 9.30 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BUNRS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 1892—ADJOURNED MEETING, 9:30 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

On motion, the reading of minutes of previous meetings was dispensed with.

The matter of a charge of “disobedience of orders” preferred by Foreman Barrett against Michael Buckley, a Blacksmith, was considered, and a hearing given.

In the matter of charges of “insubordination” and “abusive language” preferred by Foreman Eagan, against Daniel Kelly, a Laborer, a hearing was given the accused, who was found guilty as charged, and, on motion, discharged from the employ of the Department by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The following communications were received :

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting copies of resolutions adopted by said Board on the 29th ultimo, as follows :

1st. Authorizing the Comptroller to issue bonds to the amount of \$18,500 for the construction of a coping and railing around Mount Morris Park, and authorizing also the application to the same work of the sum of \$6,829.31 now remaining of the amount heretofore provided for construction work on said park.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Engineer of Construction was directed to prepare specifications and form of contract for doing the work.

2d. Authorizing the expenditure of \$1,000 from the appropriation made for cleaning the lakes in Central Park, for work necessary to put the pond in a healthful condition during the summer.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the work was ordered proceeded with forthwith.

3d. Approving the map and technical description of the land required to be taken for the Jerome avenue approach to the proposed bridge over Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.

and authorizing the issue of Consolidated Stock of the City of New York to the amount of \$1,157,000, for the construction of said bridge and approach, with the necessary abutments and arches, and including the fees of Engineers and Inspectors employed thereon.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Whereas, Pursuant to the provisions of chapter 207 of the Laws of 1890, plans, specifications and form of contract for the construction of a bridge over the Harlem river to replace the present McComb's Dam Bridge, have been prepared by this Department and submitted to and approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and a contract has been entered into for doing the work ; and

Whereas, A map and technical description of the land required to be taken for the Jerome avenue approach to said bridge have also received the approval of the said Board ; therefore

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be requested to initiate proceedings for acquiring title for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty, to the land required for the Jerome avenue approach to the said bridge.

Which were adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

4th. Approving the plan for the improvement of the park at Rutger's Slip, and authorizing the issue of bonds to the amount of \$23,500 for carrying out the same.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the Engineer of Construction was directed to prepare and submit specifications and forms of contract for doing the work.

From the Secretary of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, notifying the Department of the intention of the Trustees to close the Museum from the 18th instant to the 2d proximo, for the semi-annual cleaning and rearrangement of the collections. Filed.

From Mrs. Rader and Dr. Clarence Sharp, commending Officer James Higgins for saving Mrs. Rader's son from drowning in the Central Park on the 30th ultimo. Filed, with directions that the same be communicated to the Acting Captain of Police.

From the widow and family of Captain Thomas Beaty, thanking the Department for respect shown the late Captain of the Park Police Force. Filed.

From the Property Clerk, submitting a statement of an auction sale of old iron, police uniforms, etc., on 29th ultimo. Filed.

From the Engineer of Construction, submitting a time statement on the contract for constructing a railing around one park on Park avenue, between Sixty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets. Filed.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Reporting adversely upon an application of George D. Smith for permission to run a tally-ho coach through the Central Park.

On motion, the application was denied.

2d. Reporting upon an application of Alex. Scrivani for permission to maintain a boot-blackening stand under the stairs leading to the bridge approach on the east side of the City Hall Park. Filed.

3d. Enclosing a statement of overtime, amounting to twenty-two hours, made by William Maher, a Laborer employed in attending to the lamps in East River Park, and recommending that pay be allowed therefor.

On motion, pay was allowed, as recommended, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Dana reported verbally in relation to the proposed enlargement of the ball-ground in Crotona Park that there was no objection to leveling the knoll for that purpose.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the Engineer in charge of the New Parks north of Harlem river was authorized to do the necessary work at a cost not to exceed \$500, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Carl H. Schultz appeared and was heard in relation to his application for a renewal of his license for the sale of mineral waters in the Central Park.

The President, 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 .

Consolidated Gas Co., gas	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$88 51	
	Zoological Department.	31 87	
	Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs	17 75	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	32 12	
			\$170 25
Hitchcock, Hiram, treasurer.	Maintenance, Museums.		1,933 33
Met. Telephone and Telegraph Co., The.	Telephonic service.		1,000 00
N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., The, gas.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance		59 87
Rourke, Thomas A., payment acceptance, 1891.	Iron railing, etc., around one park in Park avenue, between 66th and 67th streets		1,400 00
			<u>\$4,563 45</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance.....	\$148 38	
Zoological Department.....	31 87	
Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs.....	17 75	
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	32 12	
Maintenance—Museums.....	1,933 33	
Telephonic Service.....	1,000 00	
Fourth Avenue Public Parks, Laying-out, etc., between 56th and 67th streets, 1891.....	1,400 00	
		<u>\$4,563 45</u>

Amounting to the sum of four thousand five hundred and sixty-three dollars and forty-five cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, April 6, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The Secretary presented a statement of moneys received and deposited in the City Treasury during the month of March, which was ordered entered upon the minutes, as follows :

Statement of Moneys Received and Deposited in the City Treasury during the of Month of March, 1892.

LICENSES.

1892.

March 1. Carl Schmidt.....	\$9 95	
" 1. Henry Castrop.....	12 09	
" 2. John T. Jordan.....	8 55	
" 5. Isidor Isaac (carousel).....	17 48	
" 5. Isaac & Co.....	301 29	
" 7. Gabe Case.....	128 98	
" 8. Deiser & Young.....	100 00	
" 9. William Ward.....	11 55	
" 10. E. S. Stokes.....	90 84	
" 10. John Lucas.....	7 87	
" 11. O. H. Riker.....	2 22	
" 15. Charles Schwartz.....	13 13	
" 30. George A. Adee.....	41 66	
		<u>\$745 61</u>

SPECIAL FUND—REPAVING.

March 29. H. W. McAllister.....	10 00
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POUND.

1892.

March 11.	Property Clerk, receipts for February.....		\$14 00
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SUNDRY RECEIPTS.

March 16.	L. F. Haffen, proceeds of auction sale.....	\$8 00	
“ 17.	George P. Morgan, proceeds of auction sale.....	156 83	
			<u>164 83</u>

RENTS.

1892.

March 1.	Mrs. M. J. Doyle.....	\$10 00	
“ 1.	August Dellett.....	25 00	
“ 2.	S. E. Marshall.....	100 00	
“ 3.	John Livingston.....	15 00	
“ 7.	Mary Thomas.....	10 00	
“ 15.	Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment.....	100 00	
“ 19.	Ann Skedgell.....	8 00	
“ 26.	A. J. Wood.....	16 00	
			<u>284 00</u>
			<u>\$1,218 44</u>

On motion, at 10.30 A. M., the Board went into executive session.

The following communications were received :

From the Acting Captain of Police, recommending the appointment of Park Policemen to fill vacancies. Referred to Commissioner Tappen for examination and report.

From I. S. Barnes, Felix McDonald and Charles Kuhn, applying for the position of Director of the Menagerie. Filed.

The President presented a report in relation to the selection of a site for the statue of Horace Greeley to be erected on the parks.

Commissioner Dana offered the following :

Resolved, That the north end of the triangle at the junction of Broadway and Sixth avenue, at Thirty-third street, be and the same hereby is designated as a site for the statue of Horace Greeley.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The President presented the following report :

The President reports as follows :

I am informed that the buildings on the corner of Eighty-sixth street and Avenue B, situated on the ground taken for the East River Park, are vacant and the same should be ordered sold forthwith and removed. There is also a house on Avenue B, between Eighty-seventh and Eighty-eighth streets, which should be examined, and if not required for park purposes, should be sold.

All requests made by this Board to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment have been granted, excepting for the issue of bonds for the construction of Riverside Park retaining-wall, and for the payment of a portion of Engineer Boller's fees for the construction of the new Seventh avenue bridge.

I have to further report that during a few days past the Commissioners of Accounts have been investigating the purchase of plants by the Department, and it seems to be charged that some of the subordinate officers have induced the Department to purchase plants indirectly from themselves. One particular charge is that the owners of the Woolson Nursery at Passaic sold plants to Thorburn & Co., and then recommended that these plants be repurchased by the Department from Thorburn. I have the honor to inform this Board that the periods spoken of in the evidence, so far as I have been able to gather from the newspapers, was prior to the administration of the Department by the present Board. I became President in June, 1890. The last considerable purchase, as I remember, was of a lot of ampelopsis tricuspidata in April, 1890, by the authority of Mr. Hutchins. During the latter part of 1890 the purchase by the Department of plants and shrubs were diminished as much as possibly could be done, and in the year 1891, which was the first year that I became completely in charge of the Department, the only purchases made were a lot of ampelopsis for the sheds at Claremont, costing \$12, a lot of specimen evergreens amounting to \$101.50, and a lot of tulip bulbs and hyacinths, to wit : 90,000 in number, at a cost of \$1,700, purchased from Cowan. In the preceding year these tulip bulbs and hyacinths were bought from Messrs. Kelsey and Elliot: It having been claimed that the Department should have propagated its own plants, I have the honor to further advise you that with the exception of the purchase of tulip bulbs and hyacinths which were bought from the lowest bidder and in the open market, and the purchase of the rare evergreens, this Department propagated its entire stock of plants in 1891, being about 532,000 different specimens. The average cost of each plant propagated was one and three-fifth cents. This cost includes the propagation at the greenhouse, the planting in beds, the weeding and the watering and all expenses of every sort in connection therewith. To purchase the cheapest of all, namely : Daisies would have cost in open market two cents each. The market price of coleus and geraniums in open market was about ten cents. I am informed that this is the price paid by Trinity Church. The cost of aquatic plants in open market would have been from fifty cents to two dollars. The cost of shrubs in open market would have been from ten cents to twenty-five cents. A table of the plants propagated and grown as aforesaid in 1891 in the Department and not purchased is approximately as follows :

Pansies and daisies (for spring planting), about.....	250,000
Coleus and geraniums (later planting), about.....	265,000
Aquatic plants, about.....	2,000
Herbacious plants, such as larkspurs, columbines, etc., about.....	10,000
Shrubs and trees (willows, etc.), about.....	5,000
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Total.....	<u>532,000</u>

From Theall & Beam, withdrawing the demand made by them in behalf of Walter Bannister, for animals on exhibition in the Central Park Menagerie. Filed.

The Secretary reported that application had been made by Mr. W. A. Conklin for books, etc., forming his private library now in the Arsenal Building, and recommended that the application be granted.

On motion, the Secretary's recommendation was approved.

The Secretary also stated that an order had been received from W. W. Cole for the delivery of the elephant Lizzie.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to deliver the elephant.

The Secretary reported upon the condition of the building at the Arsenal proposed to be used for restaurant purposes, and stated that the carpenter work necessary to put the same in proper repair would cost \$250.

On motion, the Superintendent of Parks was directed to have the work done.

On motion, at 11.20 A. M., the executive session arose.

A delegation of flower merchants appeared in relation to continuing the flower market at Union Square.

Alderman Abraham Mead and ex-Alderman John Morris were heard.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the flower market was permitted to remain at Union Square.

On motion, at 11.40 A. M., the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, April 13, at 9.30 A. M.

CHARLES DEF. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 1892—ADJOURNED MEETING, 9.30 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Dana, Tappen.

The minutes of the meetings of March 9, 16, 22, 23 and 24, were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a copy of a resolution requesting that a portion of Tompkins Square be set apart as a play-ground for children.

Referred to Commissioner Dana.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, advising the Department in relation to the payment of a judgment obtained by Richard Deeves for amount due for work on the gentlemen's cottage in Mount Morris Park.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That, in conformity with the request of the Comptroller, the sum of two thousand and sixty dollars from the appropriation for the erection of a gentlemen's cottage in Mount Morris Park be and the same hereby is applied to the payment of a judgment obtained by Richard Deeves for balance due and amount deducted for overtime on his contract for erecting said cottage, amounting to two thousand two hundred and ninety-one dollars and ninety-eight cents, and the Comptroller be requested to pay the said sum of two thousand and sixty dollars, as so applied.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Secretary of the Grant Monument Association, desiring permission to place contribution boxes at the tomb of General Grant. Granted.

Engineer A. P. Boller appeared and was heard in relation to the employment of an engineering force for work on the new bridge to be constructed over the Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.

On motion, the matter was referred to the President, with power.

From the Journeymen Horseshoers' Union, requesting that the pay of horseshoers employed by his Department be increased. Referred to the Superintendent of Parks for report.

From the Engineer in charge of the New Parks north of the Harlem river, reporting that telephone wires had been placed in Pelham Bay Park, and public telephone stations established, and also that connections with water-mains had been made without permission from the Department.

W. H. Ballou, representing the Westchester Water Company, was heard in regard to the matter and submitted an application for permission to maintain the telephones in Pelham Bay Park.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the telephones were ordered removed from the park.

From the Landscape Architect and the Superintendent of Parks, submitting a plan for the improvement of Manhattan Square.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the Superintendent was directed to report what trees or evergreens can be procured and economically set out at this time for improving Manhattan Square.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending that Abingdon Square, Jackson Square, Christopher Street, Canal Street and Duane Street Parks, be kept open until 11 o'clock at night. Approved.

From the Secretary of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in relation to the appointment of an architect for the north extension of the Museum Building.

Commissioner Dana offered the following :

Resolved, That Joseph Wolfe be and he hereby is appointed as Architect for the north extension of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in the place of Arthur L. Tuckerman, deceased.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Chairman of the Greeley Statue Committee, asking that the site selected for the Statue of Greeley be reconsidered.

William A. Higgins, representing the Horace Greeley Post, G. A. R., was heard in relation to the location of the statue.

The matter was then laid over.

From the James G. Blaine Republican Club, thanking the Department for providing lights in East River Park. Filed.

From the Engineer of Construction, reporting in relation to the rental of the Old Barry Hotel, near McComb's Dam Bridge.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be respectfully requested to lease for this Department, for two years, the building and sheds in One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street, near McComb's Dam Bridge, known as the Old Barry Hotel, at an annual rental of \$600, the

premises to be used as offices, etc., by the engineers to be employed on the construction of the bridge over Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Acting Captain of Police :

1st. In relation to the arrangement of the flower market wagons at Union Square. Approved.

2d. Recommending that the mounted squad of the Park Police be allowed to report at the stables direct for duty instead of the Arsenal.

On motion, the recommendation was approved until further orders.

From John T. Brady, asking permission to erect a stand near the site of the Grant Monument, for use on the occasion of the laying of the cornerstone on the 27th instant. Granted.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending the employment of ten men and four teams for work at the pond in Central Park.

On motion, the employment of men and teams was authorized as recommended by the Superintendent.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That the bill of William A. White & Sons, amounting to twenty-two dollars and fifty cents for insurance premium on the skate building in Van Cortlandt Park be and the same hereby is audited, approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, chargeable to the appropriation for "Maintenance and Construction of New Parks North of Harlem River."

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The President, 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 :

Abeel Brothers, hoop iron	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	\$1 89
Arnold, D. P., beef	Zoological Department.	218 75
Coffin, Paul C., wagon jack, etc.	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	5 30
E. R. Mill & Lumber Co. (The), white oak, etc	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	192 33
Fiss & Doerr, bay horse.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	285 00

Fiske, J. W., trough, etc.	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	\$155 40
Haggerty, J. Henry, oil	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	5 30
Lanier, Charles, treasurer, coal	Maintenance—Museums	1,842 48
Mott, J. L., Iron Works (The), gas brackets, etc	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	41 09
McCloskey, Charles, doors, 1891	Harlem River Bridges—Re- pairs and Supplies, 1891	25 00
Manhattan Supply Co. (The), nails, etc	Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem River	\$33 65
	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	30 67
		<hr/> 64 32
McKesson & Robbins, potash	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	2 29
Milliken, J. H., sawdust	Zoological Department	15 00
Quinn, Michael, horse	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	250 00
Ryan, B., repairs to cottage, Union Square	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	160 00
Ryan & Seabold, repairs to bird-house	Zoological Department	68 00
Thorn, T. & W. & Co., coal, hay, etc	Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem River	\$20 00
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	88 49
		<hr/> 108 49
Scoville Mfg. Co., buttons	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	97 50
Sloane, W. & J., linoleum	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	40 08
Smith, Lawrence F., wagon shaft	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	4 50
Ward, Thomas, coal	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	\$19 00
	Riverside Park and Avenue, Improvement and Main- tenance	9 50
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	10 00
		<hr/> 38 50
Wyckoff, Seamans & Benedict, ribbons	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	4 50
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance	\$1,031 35
Zoological Department.....	918 75
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	361 99
Maintenance—Museums.....	1,842 48
Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem River, etc..	53 65
Riverside Park and Avenue, Improvement and Maintenance of, etc.....	9 50
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs and Supplies, 1891.....	25 00

	<u>\$4,242 72</u>

Amounting to the sum of four thousand two hundred and forty-two dollars and seventy-two cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, April 13, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the plan for retaining-walls on the westerly side of Riverside Park, as approved June 13, 1890, for constructing said walls between One Hundred and Nineteenth and One Hundred and Twenty-ninth streets, be and the same hereby is made to include that portion of said park between Seventy-ninth and One Hundred and Nineteenth streets, and that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to approve the same and authorize and direct the Comptroller to issue bonds to the amount of one hundred and forty-one thousand five hundred dollars (\$141,500), as provided by chapter 575 of the Laws of 1887, for the purpose of doing such part of the work as may be most required.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From George C. Woolson, resigning his position as Superintending Gardener. Accepted.

David Leventritt and members of the Columbus Monument Association appeared and were heard in relation to a site for the Columbus Monument. Two sites were suggested, either of which would be acceptable to the Committee, viz. : at Fifth avenue and Fifty-ninth street, and facing the south front of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The matter was laid over for further consideration and suggestions.

On motion, at 11.45 A. M., the Board went into executive session.

The following communications were received :

From the Commissioners of Accounts, requesting the attendance of certain witnesses at the investigation being conducted by them, and calling attention to the testimony of Mrs. Conklin regarding the cost of feed, etc., of animals stored by her in the park. Referred to the Secretary.

From the Mayor, transmitting a copy of a report of the Commissioners of Accounts, respecting testimony given by Calvert Vaux, Landscape Architect. Referred to Commissioner Dana.

From the City Reform Club, relative to the testimony given before the Commissioners of Accounts by William Van Valkenburgh, George C. Woolson and Samuel Parsons, Jr. Filed.

From W. E. D. Stokes and others, recommending the promotion of Roundsman Eagan. Filed.

From S. Duncan Marshall, recommending Sergeant John W. England for the position of Captain of Police. Filed.

From J. L. Robertson, recommending Sergeant Louis Flock for the position of Captain of Police. Filed.

Commissioner Dana reported verbally in the matter of the proposed improvement of Castle Garden, and H. T. Woodman was heard in relation to plans for an aquarium.

Commissioner Straus then retired.

The President presented the following report :

The President reports as follows :

Mr. Haffen reports that telephone pay stations have been placed in several places in Pelham Park without permit. He has been directed to close up those stations until further orders from this Board. The New York and Westchester Water Company, which has established those stations, has, in several other cases, particularly in laying water-mains, exceeded the permission given it by this Board, and the police have been instructed to arrest any of its employees who attempts any act within Pelham Park without permit.

The bill which was introduced by Senator Plunkett, and which was approved by this Department in accordance with the recommendation in the Mayor's message, providing for the change of the route of the Suburban Elevated Railroad so that it should not cross Saint Mary's and Bronx Parks, has met with opposition in the Senate and may fail to pass this year. This is to be sincerely regretted.

Concerning the question of the preservation of the stonework in the park, including the Obelisk, referred to me, I have to report that F. Schlueter, who applied to the Board to have his process adopted, states that it consists of an application of a liquid composed of three ingredients, which, however, he refuses to disclose. I have informed him that unless he would submit his pro-

cess to such an exhaustive test as was applied to the paraffine process I should not consider it, and he has replied that he is not disposed to permit any person to experiment with it.

The report to this Board of Professors Newbury and Julien of Columbia College, filed in this office August 8, 1890, is strongly in favor of the paraffine process. The stone carvings at the Terrace are being rapidly destroyed. For instance, the figures of birds carved in the stone are so far disintegrated in many cases that their heads and wings have almost disappeared. I have been informed that the preservation of this stone work at the terrace will cost \$10,000.

The Board of Aldermen has authorized the Department to contract without public advertisement for the preservation of the Obelisk at a cost of \$2,750. The warm weather is approaching when the stone can be most successfully treated. On August 13, 1890, the following resolution was passed :

“Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Board, the Obelisk should be treated in the manner recommended by the committee of experts, and that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be requested to transfer from some unexpended balance the sum of two thousand eight hundred dollars for such purpose.”

This resolution was concurred in by Commissioners Gallup, Borden, Hutchins and Robb. The action of the Board then taken was after such careful inquiry that I recommend that action under that resolution be taken forthwith.

The increase in the number of wagons using the flower market at Union Square has made it necessary to make a radical change in the arrangements. The whole north side of the park was crowded on the first day, and wagons were standing on Broadway and also on Fourth avenue.

The police complained that the sidewalk was so much crowded with boxes and by purchasers that passers-by were crowded on to the lawns. I directed the Captain of Police to try the experiment of stationing the wagons in the street north of the Square, facing north and south, leaving an open space between the backs of the wagons. This has been done for the last two mornings, and the report of the Acting Captain of Police is herewith submitted, together with a diagram of the vicinity. Foreman Johnson marked out the place for the wagons to stand with broad lines of white paint, and it seems under all the circumstances that this latter arrangement is the better one.

In the matter of the license of John Lucas for the donkey service in Central Park, referred to me on March 16, 1892, I report that Mr. Lucas has a license to continue during the pleasure of the Board, he paying five per cent. of his gross receipts for the privilege. No change has been made in this license.

The application of A. Dollivar for renewal of license for swan boats, referred to me on December 9, 1891, with power, was granted, and his license was renewed for three years, at \$250 per annum.

The application of Charles Schwartz for renewal of license for the sale of refreshments at High Bridge Park, referred to me on December 30, 1891, was granted, and his license was renewed for five years, at six per cent. of his gross receipts, the licensee to put the buildings in proper condition and maintain them in proper condition, together with approaches, during the continuance of his license.

Commissioners Gallup and Dana submitted the following proposed arrangement of concerts for the coming season :

Central Park—Saturday and Sunday afternoons, commencing May 7, Cappa's Seventh Regiment Band of forty musicians, leader and soloist, at \$230 per concert.

Battery Park—Friday evenings, commencing May 13, Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band of thirty musicians, soloist and leader, at \$170 per concert.

Mount Morris Park—Tuesday evenings, commencing May 10, Eben's Seventy-first Regiment Band of thirty musicians, soloist and leader, at \$170 per concert.

Tompkins Square—Wednesday evenings, commencing May 18, Jaeger's Military Band of twenty-five pieces, soloist and leader, at \$145 per concert.

East River Park—Thursday afternoons, commencing May 19, Hall's Old Guard Band of twenty-five pieces, leader and soloist, at \$145 per concert.

Paradise Park—Monday evenings, during June, July and August, Louis Conterno's Military Band of eighteen musicians and leader, at \$100 per concert.

St. Mary's Park—Saturday afternoons, commencing May 21, Leiboldt's Twelfth Regiment Band of twenty musicians, leader and soloist, at \$120 per concert.

Washington Square—Monday afternoons, commencing June 6, Conterno's Ninth Regiment Band of eighteen musicians and leader, at \$100 per concert.

On motion, the arrangement of concerts as recommended by Commissioners Gallup and Dana, was approved.

From Andrew H. Green, in relation to the construction of driving roads and the establishment of fair grounds in the new parks north of Harlem river. Filed.

The Secretary submitted an inventory of animals, birds and reptiles on exhibition in the Central Park Menagerie, which are the property of the City, and also such as belong to private parties. Filed.

From Barnum & Bailey, offering to allow their animals now in the Menagerie on exhibition to remain, and also to add one female elephant, three cub lions and one Russian wolf. Accepted.

From James R. Mullett, transferring to Mrs. E. Conklin six sea lions now on exhibition at the Menagerie.

On motion, said communication was placed on file and consent was given to the animals remaining on exhibition, the owner to furnish the food.

The Secretary reported that \$100 would be a proper sum to be charged Mrs. E. Conklin for food consumed by the animals belonging to her while on exhibition in the Menagerie.

On motion, authority was given for the delivery to Mrs. Conklin of the animals belonging to her upon payment of the sum of \$100.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, Commissioner Dana was designated and authorized to represent this Board before the Legislature in the matter of the bill now pending for the repeal of the Act providing for a Speedway Drive in the Central Park, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Dana, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 12.30 P. M., the executive session arose and the Board adjourned to meet April 20, at 9.30 A. M.

CHARLES DEF. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 1892—ADJOURNED MEETING, 9.30 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Gallup (President), Straus, Tappen.

The minutes of the meeting of March 30 were read and approved.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, permission was granted "The Press" to give a free concert at Castle Garden on the 24th instant, all arrangements therefor to be subject to the approval of Commissioner Dana.

The following communications were received :

From the New York and Westchester Water Company, applying for permission to excavate when necessary to make repairs to their pipes in Pelham Bay Park and parkway.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Secretary notify the New York and Westchester Water Company that no general permit will be granted to make any excavations or repairs whatever, but that in every case where it is necessary to make an excavation, a special permit must be applied for excepting in case of an emergency requiring speedy action, when the Engineer in charge shall be authorized to grant the necessary permit.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From the Secretary of the United States Horse and Cattle Show Society, asking that the Mounted Park Police be allowed to compete for prizes, to be given by the Society, to be held the week commencing May 9. Referred to the President, with power.

From J. H. Van Riper, Master Machinist, reporting in relation to a stone-crusher offered for sale at Morris Park and recommending its purchase.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be respectfully requested to pass an ordinance authorizing this Department to purchase, without contract and without public letting, a steam stone-crusher for use on the New Parks north of the Harlem river, at a cost not exceeding \$1,500.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

From the Acting Captain of Police, reporting in relation to Park Policeman John Powers and recommending that he be returned to regular duty in uniform.

On motion, the Acting Captain was directed to place Officer Powers on regular duty.

From William Ward, applying for a reduction of the amount paid by him as license fee for occupying premises and selling refreshments in Pelham Bay Park.

On motion, the license fee paid by William Ward was fixed at ten per cent. of his gross receipts from May first next.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Reporting the necessity for making immediate repairs to the draw-span of the bridge over Harlem river, at Third avenue, by replacing the floor beams and recommending that estimates be obtained for doing the work.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the report was approved and referred to the Engineer for immediate action, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

2d. Reporting as to the necessity for repairs to the turntable of the draw of the Madison Avenue Bridge, and enclosing an estimate from the Keystone Bridge Company for doing the work.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be respectfully requested to pass an ordinance authorizing this Department to purchase and place in position, without public letting and without contract, cast steel track circles for the draw of the Madison Avenue Bridge over the Harlem river, at an expense not exceeding three thousand six hundred dollars.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

The Board then proceeded to consider the evidence taken in the trials of Park Policemen.

Andrew J. McNulty, charged with being off post, was excused.

William S. Ryerson, charged with insubordination and conduct unbecoming an officer. On motion, charge dismissed.

Henry H. Andereya, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty and reprimanded.

George Rogan, charged with being absent from drill duty without leave, and absent from duty without leave (two charges), was found guilty as charged and fined three days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Charles B. Britton, charged with being absent from drill duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

James J. Cain, charged with being absent from drill duty without leave, and being off post (two charges), was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Thomas F. Patterson, charged with being off post, was excused.

Richard Fitzgerald, charged with violation of rules and sleeping on post, was found guilty as charged and fined five days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

William J. O'Connor, charged with being absent from roll call, was excused.

John Flaherty, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Edward F. Johnston, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

George Hampshire, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Thomas Flynn, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

William E. Niven, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Hugh J. Gribben, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Cornelius J. Mulvey, charged with being absent from drill duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Michael J. Nolan, charged with being off post, was excused.

Frank Dowd, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Thomas Smith, charged with being absent from roll-call, was found guilty and reprimanded.

Owen Donnelly, charged with being off post and violation of rules, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

George Edwards, charged with neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined one day's pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

John E. Hctor, charged with being absent from drill duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Alfred C. Newell, charged with being absent from drill duty without leave, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioner Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

William Monahan, charged with being absent from roll-call, was excused.

Joseph Harris, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioner Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

John Robinson, charged with being off post, violation of rules and neglect of duty, was found guilty as charged, and fined two days' pay by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioner Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

Doorman John F. Dawson, charged with being absent from duty without leave, was found guilty and reprimanded.

From the Superintendent of Parks, reporting upon an application of E. A. Scannel, Laborer, for pay for six days' time lost on account of sickness. On motion, the application was denied.

From the Engineer of Construction, submitting a plan showing proposed widening of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, from Seventh avenue to McComb's Dam lane, in connection with the approach to McComb's Dam Bridge.

On motion, said plan was approved and ordered transmitted to the Board of Street Opening and Improvement.

From A. P. Boller, Constructing Engineer :

1st. In relation to proceedings for acquiring lands for approaches to the proposed bridge over Harlem river at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street. Referred to the Counsel to the Corporation.

2d. In relation to arranging for an Engineering Corps for work on the bridge to be built over Harlem river, at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street. Referred to the President.

From the Superintendent of Parks, in relation to supplying settees for the use of visitors at the tomb of General Grant on the occasion of the laying of the corner-stone of the monument on the 27th instant. Filed, with directions to the Secretary to communicate with the Grant Monument Association in relation to the settees.

At the hour of eleven o'clock, Mr. E. G. Marsh, representing 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 advertisements duly published in the CITY RECORD for the following-named works :

For the Completion of the Regulating and Grading and Improving the Entrance at One Hundred and Sixth Street and Central Park, West, and Driveway Connecting same with West Drive in Central Park.

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ITEMS.	ESTIMATED QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4		5	
		EDWARD N. LYNCH.		GEO. F. DOAK.		JOHN J. HOPPER.		P. J. MORAN.		JOSEPH MOORE.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1. Earth excavation.....	3,500 cu. yds.	\$0 50	\$1,750 00	\$0 60	\$2,100 00	\$0 60	\$2,100 00	\$0 35	\$1,225 00	\$0 88	\$3,080 00
2. Rock excavation.....	1,300 cu. yds.	1 00	1,300 00	2 00	2,600 00	1 75	2,275 00	1 40	1,820 00	88	1,144 00
3. Gravel and trap-block pavement with Telford and macadamized foundation....	2,550 sq. yds.	2 20	5,610 00	2 00	5,100 00	3 60	9,180 00	1 65	4,207 50	1 35	3,442 50
4. New bridge stone for crosswalk with Telford and macadamized foundation....	350 sq. ft.	60	210 00	60	210 00	1 25	437 50	55	192 50	61	213 50
5. New blue-stone curb curved on face, including circular corners.....	140 lin. ft.	1 50	210 00	1 50	210 00	1 75	245 00	1 50	210 00	1 75	245 00
6. Road basins 3 feet interior diameter with cast-iron curb and grating.....	5	15 00	75 00	75 00	375 00	125 00	625 00	53 00	275 00	46 50	232 50
7. Receiving-basin to be rebuilt.....	1	100 00	100 00	75 00	75 00	150 00	150 00	140 00	140 00	155 00	155 00
8. 12-inch vitrified stone-ware pipe in culverts, to furnish and lay....	55 lin. ft.	80	44 00	30	16 50	1 75	96 25	3 50	192 50	1 30	71 50
9. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 6\text{-inch vitrified stone-ware pipe, to furnish and lay.....} \\ 8\text{-inch vitrified stone-ware pipe, to furnish and lay.....} \end{array} \right.$	300 lin. ft.	40	144 00	30	108 00	1 50	540 00	90	324 00	98	352 80
10. Old flagging to relay..	1,500 sq. ft.	2	20 00	10	100 00	10	100 00	5	50 00	2½	25 00
Totals.....	.....	.....	\$9,463 00	.....	\$10,894 50	.....	\$15,748 75	.....	\$8,636 50	.....	\$8,961 80

For the Construction of Mason and Granite Work for four Parks in Park Avenue.

NAMES OF BIDDERS.	AMOUNT.
John Donaldson.....	\$7,432 00
Stephen A. Ruddy.....	7,600 00
William Kidney.....	6,740 00

For the Erection and Completion of an Iron Railing around two Parks in Park Avenue between Fifty-sixth and Sixtieth Streets.

	888 LINEAL FEET.	AMOUNT.
The Manhattan Supply Company.....	.....	\$2,797 00
M. J. Drummond.....	\$3.08	2,735 04
Joseph Marren's Sons.....	1.69	1,500 72
Jackson Architect ural Iron Works.....	2.74	2,433 12
J. W. Fiske.....	2.37½	2,109 00

For Furnishing and Delivering Screened Gravel, of the Quality known as Roa Hook Gravel, where required on the Central Park and Riverside Park and Avenue.

	9,000 CUBIC YARDS.	AMOUNT.
Brown & Fleming.....	\$1.92½	\$17,325 00
George F. Doak.....	1.99	17,910 00

For Repairing and Repaving with Rock Asphalte the Walks within the City Parks, other than Central Park, in the City of New York.

	15,000 SQUARE F'T OF ASPHALTE WITH CONCRETE BASE.	91,000 SQUARE F'T OF ASPHALTE WITHOUT CONCRETE BASE.	AMOUNT.
Edwin H. Woolton.....	22¼ c-ns	11¾ cents	\$14,030 00
G. Knoche.....	21 "	10¾ "	12,932 50
The Siciian Asphalte Paving Company.....	18 "	10 "	11,800 00
The Neuchatel Asphalte Company (Limited).....	19 "	11¾ "	13,542 50

The Secretary submitted estimates for excavating earth and rock and taking down wall, etc., for a manure pit at the northwest corner of the Old Reservoir in Central Park, as follows :

	ROCK.	EARTH.
Cornelius O'Grady.....	\$2 00	\$0 40
Joseph Moore.....	1 75	50
John Slattery	2 00	50

On motion, an order was authorized to be issued to the lowest bidder for doing the work, at the prices named in his estimate, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen--3.

From Scott Foster and others, recommending Sergeant John W. England for the position of Captain of the Park Police. Filed.

From Brooke Bostley and H. Knickerbocker, recommending the appointment of Sergeant Louis Flock to the position of Captain of Police. Filed.

From Samuel D. Babcock and George G. Haven, desiring permission to construct a driveway entrance to the Metropolitan Club Building at the corner of Fifth avenue and Sixtieth street, as shown on a plan submitted.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department be and hereby is given to the construction of a driveway entrance in the rear of the Metropolitan Club Building at the northeast corner of Fifth avenue and Sixtieth street, as shown on a plan prepared by McKim, Mead & White, architects, and filed in this office.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

The President, 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 :

Appleton, Daniel & Co., drill regulations..	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	\$3 94
Colwell Lead Co., hooks, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$4 59
	Zoological Department.....	3 75
Dickinson Bros. & King, cement.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance	8 34
Kueffel & Esser Co., helios paper.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	135 00
		3 36

Manhattan Supply Co., The, augers, etc.	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$136 85	
	Maintenance and Construction New Parks north of Harlem River	184 50	\$321 35
Markey, Philip, coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$61 75	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	57 00	
	Zoological Department.....	118 75	237 50
Mason, J. W. & Co., chairs.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....		5 00
Mott, J. L. Iron Works, The, cog-wheel, etc.	Maintenance and Construction New Parks north of Harlem River	\$35 00	
	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	2 40	37 40
O'Brien, John J., coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....		266 00
O'Donnell, N., coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....	\$23 75	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	20 00	43 75
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal.....	Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs.....		190 00
Squier, G. L. Mfg. Co., The, comb cutter, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....		11 00
Whitman Saddle Co., police saddles.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....		500 69
McMurray, J. F., daily papers.....	Labor, Maint.—General Maintenance.....		21 98
			<u>\$1,785 31</u>

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Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance	\$666 68
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	586 63
Zoological Department.....	122 50
Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem River, etc.	219 50
Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs.....	190 00
	<u>\$1,785 31</u>

Amounting to the sum of one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five dollars and thirty-one cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, April 20, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote:

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—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 :

Haffen, Louis F., petty cash.....	Maint. and Const. of New Parks north of Harlem River, etc.....		\$51 33
Mason, F. H. D., petty cash.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance.....	\$148 24	
	Zoological Department.....	6 98	
	Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	31 20	
			<u>186 42</u>
			<u>\$237 75</u>

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Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem River, etc.	\$51 33	
Labor, Maintenance—General Maintenance.....	148 24	
Zoological Department.....	6 98	
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	31 20	
		<u>\$237 75</u>

Amounting to the sum of two hundred and thirty-seven dollars and seventy-five cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, April 20, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

On motion, at 11.20 A. M. the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, 27 instant at 9.30 A. M.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 1892.—ADJOURNED MEETING, 9.30 A. M.

Present—

A quorum not being present, no business was transacted.

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 1892—SPECIAL MEETING, 9.30 A. M.

Pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
 NOS. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET. }
 April 26, 1892. }

Mr. CHAS. DE F. BURNS, Secretary, etc.:

SIR—You will please issue notices for a meeting of the Board to be held Thursday, 28th instant, at 9.30 o'clock A. M., for the transaction of such business as may be presented.

Respectfully,

A. GALLUP, President D. P. P.

Present—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen.

The minutes of the meeting of April 6 were read and approved.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That contracts for which proposals were received on 20th instant be and the same hereby are awarded as follows :

For completion of entrance to Central Park at One Hundred and Sixth street to P. J. Moran.

For mason and granite work for four parks on Park avenue to William Kidney.

For erecting an iron railing around two parks in Park avenue to Joseph Marren's Sons.

For repairing and repaving walks in the City Parks to the Sicilian Asphalt Paving Company.

—that the proposals of the successful bidders be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of sureties thereon, and when so approved, that the President be authorized to sign the contracts for and on behalf of the Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

Commissioner Dana made a verbal report in relation to the skate building at the Central Park Lake and recommended that the same be removed.

On motion, Commissioner Dana's recommendation was approved by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the Acting Captain of Police was directed to discontinue policing Washington Bridge and the Police Department was requested to exercise police jurisdiction over the said bridge.

The following communications were received :

From the Secretary of the Memorial Committee G. A. R.

1st. Requesting permission to use the Cottage at Union Square for the reception of flowers from May 20th to 30th. Granted.

2d. Requesting permission to erect reviewing stands at Madison Square for use on Memorial Day. Granted.

From Thomas J. Brown, licensee, asking that the Central Park carriages be allowed to stand at Fifth avenue and Seventy-second street. Granted.

From Rev. Reinhard Haefflin, F. Krieger and others, petitioning for the erection of a pavilion in Crotona Park for the use of Sunday-schools, pic-nic parties, etc.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, the Engineer in charge of the New Parks was directed to determine a suitable location and report as to the probable cost of a structure covering five hundred square feet.

From P. Leckler and others, petitioning for the improvement of Crotona Parkway. Referred to the Engineer in charge of the New Parks.

From D. C. E. Lamb, submitting a design for a pedestal for the statue of Thorwaldsen to be erected on the parks. Referred to Commissioner Dana.

From the Engineer of Construction, submitting a time statement on the contract for regulating and grading for an entrance to Central Park at West One Hundred and Sixth street, etc., and recommending that all penalty for overtime (twelve and three-quarter days) be remitted.

On motion, the recommendation of the Engineer was approved.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Recommending the acceptance of an offer of Patrick Fogarty to deliver a quantity of mould free of charge at East River Park.

On motion, the Superintendent was authorized to accept the mould.

2d. Reporting upon a communication from the Journeymen Horseshoers' Union, relative to the pay of horseshoers employed by the Department.

On motion of Commissioner Gallup, the pay of Horseshoers was fixed at \$3.50 per day from May 1 next, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Acting Captain of Police, reporting upon applications of Officers William J. Dunn and Patrick Nugent to be transferred from Central Park to duty on Tompkins Square.

On motion, the transfer of Officers Dunn and Nugent was ordered to take effect on the first proximo.

From Charles Baptist, Park Policeman, applying for promotion to the grade of Roundsman. Filed.

From Mary Forster, secretary of the Socialist League, applying for permission to hold meetings in City Hall Park, Saturday afternoons, during the month of May.

On motion, the application was laid over and the Secretary was directed to request the applicant to appear before the Board.

From the Engineer in charge of the New Parks, suggesting an arrangement for the payment of the employees of the New Parks. Referred to the Property Clerk with instructions to pay the employees on the New Parks as recommended by the Engineer.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Submitting specifications and form of contract for improving the plaza at Fifth avenue and One Hundred and Tenth street.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That the specification and form of contract for improving the plaza at Fifth avenue and One Hundred and Tenth street, this day received, be approved and ordered printed, and when 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

2d. Recommending that some of the four-inch water-pipe now on hand be used at the Fifty-ninth street Pond instead of purchasing three-inch pipe and that an order be issued for doing the work at an estimated cost of \$150.

On motion, the recommendations of the Engineer were approved.

The President 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 :

Bostwick, E. W. & J. B., coal	Harlem River Bridges—Special	
	Repairs	\$10 00

Hazard Powder Company, The, powder, etc.	Maintenance and Construction, New Parks north of Harlem River	\$3 79
Manhattan Supply Co., The, bolts.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	50 25
Mott, J. L. Iron Works, The, hoppers, etc..	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	\$87 03
	Police—Supplies and Repairs..	38 30
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N. Y. Belting and Packing Co., Limited, hose	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	10 50
O'Brien, John J., coal.....	Police—Supplies and Repairs.	9 50
Patterson Bros., knives, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	8 26
Saddlery Hardware Mfg. Co., The, col- lars, etc	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	405 55
Smith, Lawrence F., steel tires, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	32 22
Squier, G. L. Mfg. Co., The, pruning shears, etc.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	136 75
Herbert, H. L. & Co., coal.....	Labor, Maint.—General Main- tenance	57 00
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		\$849 15

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, etc.—General Maintenance	\$787 56
Harlem River Bridges—Special Repairs.....	10 00
Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem River, etc..	3 79
Police—Supplies and Repairs.....	47 80
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	\$849 15

Amounting to the sum of eight hundred and forty-nine dollars and fifteen cents.

A. GALLUP, }
N. STRAUS, } Auditing Committee.
A. B. TAPPEN, }

NEW YORK, April 28, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—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 :

McInerney, Patrick, pay on acceptance.	Regulating, etc., entrance at 106th street and Central Park, 1891.	\$3,869 88
Pierce, John, Estimate No. 9.	Met. Mus. Art, comp. North Extension	10,160 00
Wolf, Joseph, professional services.	Met. Mus. Art, comp. North Extension	127 00
		<u>\$14,156 88</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Entrance to Central Park at West One Hundred and Sixth street.	\$3,869 88
Metropolitan Museum of Art—Completion North Extension, Laws 1889.	10,287 00
	<u>\$14,156 88</u>

Amounting to the sum of fourteen thousand one hundred and fifty-six dollars and eighty-eight cents.

A. GALLUP,
N. STRAUS,
A. B. TAPPEN, } Auditing Committee.

New York, April 28, 1892.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, on motion, the same were approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

The Secretary submitted the following estimates for excavating and filling with mould on Central Park, West, between Eighty-sixth and Ninetieth streets :

Joseph Moore	\$50 00 each.
Cornelius O'Grady	53 00 "
John Slattery	<u>28 00 "</u>

On motion, an order was authorized to be issued to the lowest bidder for doing the work, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 10.30 A. M., the Board went into executive session.

Commissioner Gallup offered the following :

Resolved, That Commissioner Dana be and he is hereby chosen President of this Board, his term of office to commence on the 1st of May, 1892.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Tappen—3.

On motion of Commissioner Dana, the matter of the proposed creation of the office of Vice-President of the Board was referred to Commissioner Tappen for conference with the Counsel to the Corporation.

The President presented the following report :

The President reports as follows :

Last year visitors to Central Park could with difficulty be kept from throwing paper and debris upon the lawns, because a definite plan of prevention had not been adopted. This year, after conference with the Acting Captain of Police and the Superintendent, I have instructed them as follows :

That sufficient signs be placed temporarily on the various lawns used for pic-nic purposes, worded as follows: "Visitors must deposit all papers and refuse in the receptacles furnished on the lawns."

That large baskets or boxes be placed on each lawn used for pic-nic purposes at conspicuous and convenient places.

That a sufficient number of Policemen be detailed to the various pic-nic grounds, with positive instructions to see that the rules of the Department are rigidly enforced.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent of April 21, 1892, which is laid before the Board, I recommend that the rate of pay for Horseshoers be increased from \$3 to \$3.50 per day, that being the rate paid in shops outside of the Department. The men who are now employed are good men, and it is desirable that they be encouraged to remain.

With the aid of the Assistant Secretary I have revised and codified all the ordinances relating to the Department of Parks, and suggest that Commissioner Dana be requested to act as a committee to examine them, with a view to having them adopted by the Board at an early date.

The work of cleaning the Pond at Fifty-ninth street has been commenced and actively prosecuted. The water in the Lake has been drawn down and the accumulations along the shores are now being entirely removed. A new basin is being constructed at the southerly end. The work will be finished by the middle of May.

Concerning the difficulty in which the Property Clerk is involved, relative to adjusting the payments for forage furnished to the Department prior to the first of the year, I have to report as follows: Owing to lack of care on his part in ascertaining from this office what balance remained in the respective Police, Maintenance and Menagerie accounts, he allowed the Menagerie account to be overdrawn, by permitting the use of too much forage, the forage for all these accounts having been supplied to the Department in one contract. As the accounts are adjusted by charging to each appropriation the value of the property consumed, this office was not informed of the over-supply to the Menagerie account until it was too late to remedy it. The charges reported by the Property Clerk as against these three accounts are as follows :

		Balance Available.
Labor, Maintenance.....	\$635 66	\$832 25
Zoological Department.....	643 50	425 52
Police Department.....	199 95	226 63
	<u>\$1,479 12</u>	<u>\$1,484 40</u>

There is a balance to the credit of the Labor, Maintenance and Police accounts. After communicating with the Comptroller on the subject, and explaining to him the whole situation, he replies, under date of April 7, having had my letter before him since the 7th of March, that the only way in which an adjustment of the accounts can be effected will be through an application to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. I therefore recommend that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to transfer from the Labor, Maintenance account the sum of \$196.59 to the Zoological account, and the sum of \$21.39 from Police to the Zoological account.

On motion, the report of the President was approved and Commissioner Dana was requested to prescribe a form of permit for holding picnics in the parks.

From the Superintendent of Parks, reporting in relation to the position of Superintending Gardener, now vacant. Filed.

Prof. A. S. Bickmore appeared and requested that the Board approve of Senate Bill, No. 832, authorizing the enlargement of the American Museum of Natural History Building, and now before the Governor.

Commissioner Tappen offered the following :

Resolved, That this Board approves of Senate Bill, No. 832, to provide for the enlargement of the American Museum of Natural History Building, and respectfully requests the Governor to give the same favorable consideration.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending the employment of a Cottage Attendant at the Cottage on the North Meadow. Filed.

From the Meteorologist, reporting the death on the 20th instant of Charles Schriener, an employee in the Meteorological Observatory. Filed.

From Louis Brown, applying for appointment as Landscape Architect. Filed.

From William J. Dunn, recommending John E. Moore for appointment as a Steam Engineer. Filed.

From George Kruger, George Ehret and others, requesting the appointment of Sergeant John W. England to the position of Captain of the Park Police. Filed.

On motion of Commissioner Tappen, four horses reported by Foreman Barrett as being lame were ordered sent to the New Parks and turned out to pasture.

From the Secretary of the Civil Service Examining Board, submitting the following list of persons eligible for the position of Director of the Menagerie :

George R. Burns.

John W. Smith.

Robert G. Warmsley.

On motion, John W. Smith was appointed Director of the Menagerie, at a salary of \$2,000 per annum, to take effect May 1, 1892, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, George R. Burns was appointed a Foreman, at \$125 per month, from May 1, 1892, and assigned to duty in the Menagerie, by the following vote :

Ayes—Commissioners Gallup, Straus, Dana, Tappen—4.

On motion, at 11.30 A. M., the executive session arose and the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, 4th proximo, at 9.30 A. M.

CHARLES DEF. BURNS, Secretary.