COUNTY GOVERNMENT.

Board of Supervisors.

STATED SESSION, Saturday, Dec. 31, 1864. 12 o'clock m.

OFFICIAL.]

The Board met, pursuant to adjournment, in their Chamber, No. 17 City Hall.

Present—Wm. M. Tweed, esq., President, in the chair, and the following members:

Supervisors Blunt, Briggs, Davis, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook and Smith—10.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS.

Petitions of the following named for correction of tax:

George S. Manson, | James Hogan.

Which were referred to the Committee on Annual Taxes.

Petition of Messengers in the Surrogate's office for increase of compensation.

Which was referred to the Special Committee on Salaries.

REPORTS.

The Committee on Civil Courts presented a report in favor of adopting a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be authorized to renew the lease of the premises in the "Times Building" now occupied by the Surrogate's Court and Chambers, for a period not exceeding three years, at an annual rent not to exceed $3,600, if he deems it for the best interest of the County.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Blunt, Davis, Ely, Little, Roche, Smith and Tweed—7.

The Special Committee on Volunteering presented a report in favor of adopting an ordinance appropriating $4,000,000 to raise the quota under the call of the President for 300,000 men (see elsewhere for report in full.)

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Blunt, Briggs, Davis, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—9.

Negative—Supervisor Ely—1.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Resolution, that the Comptroller draw his warrant in favor of Edward Betts, for services to the Board of County Canvassers for the years 1859, '60, '61, '62 and '63, for the sum of $250, and charge the same to the appropriations for "County Contingencies."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Blunt, Briggs, Davis, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—10.

Resolution, that the salaries of the First Clerk to the County Treasurer, he and are hereby fixed at $1,800, and the Second Clerk at $1,200 per annum, to take effect January 1, 1864.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Blunt, Briggs, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—8.

Negative—Supervisors Davis and Ely—2.

Resolution, that the salaries of all the attaches of the Court of Common Pleas, and Superior Court, except the Attendant, be increased 25 per cent, to continue until the resumption of specie payments.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Briggs, Davis, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—9.

Resolution, that the salary of Richard D. Marshal, as keeper of the Court-house No. 32 Chambers street, be and the same is hereby increased to the sum of $1,000 per annum, the same to take effect from January 1, 1864.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Briggs, Davis, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—8.

Report of Committee on Civil Courts, in favor of adopting resolution, that the salaries of James Levy, attendant at Second District Court, and of Francis Gerosmo, attendant at First District Court, be and are hereby fixed at $900 per annum, to take effect from January 1, 1864.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Briggs, Davis, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—8.

RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

Resolution, that the Comptroller draw his warrant in favor of Mr. Bulkley, for the sum of $250, for services in facilitating the County Business, and pay the same from appropriation for "County Contingencies."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Briggs, Davis, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—9.

Resolution, that in pursuance of the authority vested in the Board of Supervisors, there shall be allowed to each of the Justices of the Superior Court, Court of Common Pleas and Marine Court and Recorder, in addition to their present compensation, the further sum of $1,000, which shall be paid to them quarterly out of the County Treasury, in each year, commencing January 1, 1864.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Briggs, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Smith and Tweed—7.

Negative—Supervisors Davis and Shook—2.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolution that the salary of the Recording Clerk in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas be and it is hereby apportioned and fixed at $1,000 per annum, from the 1st day of December, 1864, and the Comptroller is hereby directed to pay the same, monthly, from the appropriation for "County Contingencies."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Briggs, Davis, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—9.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS RESUMED.

Resolution that the salaries of the clerks of the several District Courts be fixed at $2,000 per annum, to take effect January 1, 1864, and the Comptroller be and is hereby directed to pay them from the proper appropriation (see chapter 309, Laws of 1864.)

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Briggs, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—8.

REPORTS RESUMED.

The Committee on Criminal Courts and Police presented a report in favor of adopting resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Bernard Morrissey, Wm. Cochran, John McDermott, Wm. Rickett, David Kane, Wm. H. Berthoff, John Duryea, Augustus Tyler, John Allis, Peter McArdle and Joseph Poynton for the sum of $81 each, for services as extra attendants at Court of Oyer and Terminer, for October term, 1864, and charge the same to the appropriation for "Officers and Witnesses' Fees."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Blunt, Briggs, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—9.

Negative—Supervisor Davis—1.

RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Supervisor ELY presented the following:

Resolved, That the salaries of the attendants of the District Courts be increased from $900 to $1,000 per annum, to take effect January 1st, 1864.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Briggs, Davis, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—8.

Supervisor ELY presented the following:

Resolved, That the salary of the Surrogate be fixed at six thousand five hundred dollars per annum, to take effect January 1st, 1864.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Blunt, Briggs, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—9.

Negative—Supervisor Davis—1.

The PRESIDENT presented the following:

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation and the Committee of the Board having the matter in charge be authorized and directed to take the necessary proceedings to discontinue all suits now pending on the part of the Supervisors of the County of New-York against the Commissioners of Records, and so far as this Board have authority or direction the said suits are hereby discontinued.

Which was referred to the Committee on Printing and Stationery.

REPORTS AGAIN RESUMED.

The Committee on Criminal Courts and Police presented a report in favor of adopting resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the bill of Edward Van Ranst, amounting to $11, for searches furnished Police Commissioners, General Election, November, 1864, be audited and allowed, and the Comptroller directed to pay it from the appropriation for "Election Expenses."

Which was referred to the Police Commissioners.

RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

The following was presented:

AN ORDINANCE

IN RELATION TO STATISTICAL RECORDS IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW-YORK.

The Board of Supervisors of the City of New-York do ordain as follows:

SECTION I. In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 202, Laws of 1864, there is hereby established a Bureau of Criminal Statistics in and for the City and County of New-York, the chief officer of which shall be known and designated as Registrar of Criminal Courts.

SEC. II. It shall be the duty of the said Registrar to receive, collate, keep and preserve the criminal statistics of said city and county, provided for in said chapter, and to make report thereof to the Board of Supervisors quarterly.

SEC. III. It shall be the duty of the clerks in the several criminal courts and offices of said city and county to collect, prepare, keep and preserve statistical records of the business and proceedings of the respective courts and offices in which they may be employed, and to make return thereof to said Registrar monthly, in such form and manner as he shall prescribe.

SEC. IV. The compensation of said Registrar shall be as authorized to be expended for this purpose by the act mentioned in the first section of this ordinance, and he shall, before entering on the duties of his office, qualify by filing the usual oath for an officer of the said city and county.

SEC. V. James H. Welsh is hereby appointed Registrar of Criminal Courts under this ordinance.

SEC. VI. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Blunt, Briggs, Davis, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—10.

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Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Blunt, Briggs, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—9.

Supervisor ELY presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the salaries of the Assistants of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas be increased from $900 to $1,000 per annum, to take effect January 1st, 1864.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Blunt, Briggs, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—9.

Supervisor ROCHE presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the salaries of James Levy, attendant at Second District Court, and of Francis Gerosmo, attendant at First District Court, be and are hereby fixed at $900 per annum, to take effect from January 1, 1864.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Briggs, Davis, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—9.

RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

Resolution, that the Comptroller draw his warrant in favor of Mr. Bulkley, for the sum of $250, for services in facilitating the County Business, and pay the same from appropriation for "County Contingencies."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Briggs, Davis, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—9.

The PRESIDENT in response to the above resolution, made the following remarks:

GENTLEMEN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: For the adoption of the resolution as complimentary, just passed, I can only return my thanks. When I entered upon the duties of the chair, in the early part of this year, I knew that those duties were important and onerous, and that it required a great deal of care and deliberation to preside over a body of men who had in their charge so many important interests. I briefly adverted, at that time, to the fact of the enrollment which is about taking place, and the number of men that we were obliged to procure for the armies of the Union, as well as to several other important public trusts confided to us; and on looking back at the occurrences of the past year, I can only thank the members of the Board for the uniform kindness and courtesy extended to me on every occasion by all the members of the Board, and for the disposition manifested to defer to my rulings, in which I think I can say that I have been guided by a sense of justice and not from a desire to take advantage of the position in which their kindness placed me. Every one who knows anything of the matter knows the great encouragement the City of New-York has given toward filling the armies of the Union. Without the exertions of Supervisor Blunt, and the Committee appointed by this Board, they would have been in a state of chaos and confusion worse confounded. There would have been no head, no one to say where to commence the work of filling the armies of the Union. Instead of filling them with stout, capable men, as we have done, we would have followed the example of Massachusetts, and filled the ranks of the army with men physically incompetent to perform the duties of soldiers. I look upon the Volunteering Bureau here as forming the nucleus around which all the organizations of the kind in the country have rallied, and from which they have received an impetus; and although it has cost us a great deal of money, every man with in the sound of my voice believes that nothing could be more advantageous to the city of New-York, showing, as it does, to the country at large the entire harmony of purpose existing in the city among all classes of our citizens, whether politically opposed to the President or not, to fill the quota, and have this war conducted to a successful end.

I feel that the action of the Board of Supervisors this year will bear the closest scrutiny, and I believe I do right in saying that we challenge an investigation into all our actions. Of course we are not answerable for the conduct of those who, either from malice, or because they are irretrievably bad, or because they desire to occupy the offices which we now hold, circulate stories calculated to injure those amongst us who are known to be amongst the best and firmest of our citizens.

Again I thank you for this manifestation of your approval; and I trust that the relations which I have existed between us as members of the Board, though differing in political faith, may long continue.

Supervisor PURDY presented the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board be and are hereby tendered to the Clerk, Deputy, Assistant, Sergeant at Arms and Messenger, for the faithful performance of their duties—prompt, efficient and gentlemanly in their department, they well earned the good opinion of every member of the Board—and that a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, be presented the Clerk and his Assistants.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Blunt, Briggs, Davis, Ely, Little, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—10.

Supervisor PURDY presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Board of Supervisors of the County of New-York be and are hereby tendered to Hon. C. Godfrey Gunther, Mayor, and Hon. Matthew T. Brennan, Comptroller of the City and County, for their faithful services and watchful care in protecting the interests of the County.

The promptness and efficiency displayed by them in the consideration and disposal of all matters relating to the County of New-York, deserve the commendation of this Board.

And the Clerk of the Board is hereby directed to cause a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, to be presented to the Mayor and Comptroller.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Blunt, Briggs, Davis, Ely, Purdy, Roche, Shook, Smith and Tweed—9.

NOTICES.

Supervisor PURDY moved that when the Board adjourn, it do so to meet on Tuesday, January 10, 1865, at 12 o'clock m.

Which was carried.

Supervisor SHOOK moved that the Board do now adjourn.

Which was carried.

Whereupon the PRESIDENT declared that the Board stood adjourned to Tuesday, January 10, 1865, at 12 o'clock m.

JOS. B. YOUNG, Clerk.

CITY GOVERNMENT.

Board of Aldermen.

STATED SESSION—Friday, December 30th, 1864.

OFFICIAL.]

Present—John T. Henry, esq., President; Aldermen Fox, McCool, Cullen, McKnight, Ryan, Jeremias, Kelly, Farley, Long.

The minutes of December 28th were read and approved.

RESOLUTION.

By Alderman JEREMIAS—

Resolved, That the Governor's Room be and hereby is tendered, as a place of temporary deposit, to the persons in charge of the remains of the late William L. Dayton, United States Minister at the Court of France.

Which was adopted.

And the same was sent to Board of Councilmen for concurrence.

MOTIONS.

Alderman LONG moved that when this Board adjourn, it do so to meet to-morrow at 12 o'clock M.

Alderman FARLEY moved as an amendment, that when this Board adjourns, it adjourn *sine die*.

Which was lost.

Whereupon the motion of Alderman Long was put and carried.

Alderman FARLEY moved that the Board do now adjourn.

Alderman RYERS moved as an amendment, that the Board take a recess for fifteen minutes.

Which was carried.

AFTER RECESS.

Present—John T. Henry, esq., President, Aldermen Jones, McCool, McKnight, Ryan, Jeremiah, Masterson.

The roll having been called and a quorum not appearing, the President announced that the Board stood adjourned until to-morrow at twelve o'clock p. m.

D. T. VALENTINE, Clerk.

Board of Councilmen.

STATED SESSION—Friday, Dec. 30, 1864. 2 o'clock, p. m.

OFFICIAL.]

The Board met, pursuant to adjournment, in their Chamber, No. 17 City Hall.

Present—Councilmen Healy, Keenan, Riley, Brophy, Hagerty, Hayes, Webster, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Koster, Houghtaling, Haviland, McGrath, Jaques, Schaefer, Cook, Brandon, Brice, Russell and Fitzgerald—21.

The President being absent at roll call,

Councilman KEENAN moved that Councilman Hagerty take the Chair.

Which was carried.

The Minutes of meeting held December 28th were read and approved.

Councilman KEENAN moved that the reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting be dispensed with.

Which was carried.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Councilman RILEY—

Whereas, Brevet Major-General Thomas W. Egan of the United States Army, is now in this city under treatment for wounds received during the series of battles before Petersburg, Va.; and

Whereas, General Egan represents in a particular manner the characteristics of the American soldier, for bravery, endurance and persistent energy, having steadily advanced from the position of Quartermaster of the Fortieth Mozart Regiment to that of Lieutenant-Colonel, again Colonel, afterwards to the position of Brigadier-General, and on the 27th of October, 1864, Brevet Major-General, for bravery and soldierly bearing at the battle of Boynton Roads, in the memorable charge on that occasion, which prevented one of the most disastrous defeats of the war; and

Whereas, The noble hero now sojourning among us has taken part in the following battles, viz.: Siege of Yorktown, Williamsburg, Seven Pines, Fair Oaks, Harrison's Landing, Savage Station, Glendale, Charles City Cross-Roads, Malvern Hills, Turkey Bend, Manassas Plains, second Bull Run, Chantilly, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Wilderness, Spottsylvania, and the battles of the campaign of Lieut.-Gen. Grant, and was severely wounded at the battle of Boynton Roads, October 27th, 1864; therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of the Common Council, the Municipal representatives of this city, on behalf of its people, and in their individual capacity, express their sentiments of regard and esteem of the brave soldier, the noble patriot, and accomplished gentleman, Brevet Major-General Thomas W. Egan, the glory of whose fame will ever gild the bright annals of our country's history, and shed lustre upon the City of New-York, which has given so noble a man to the cause of Liberty and Union.

Resolved, That the use of the Governor's Room be and is hereby tendered to General Egan, in which to receive the congratulations of his friends and our citizens generally, whenever he may signify his desire so to do.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions be duly attested and presented to General Egan, as a mark of the high esteem in which he is held by his fellow-citizens and the authorities of this city.

Which was adopted.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Aldermen for concurrence.

BILLS.

By Councilman BROPHY—

Bill of Thomas McNulty, amounting to ten dollars, for fitting up poll of Sixth Election District of Sixth Ward, for December election.

Which was referred to the Comptroller, with power.

By Councilman RYAN—

Bill of Patrick Leddy, amounting to ten dollars, for fitting up poll of Eighth Election District of Eighteenth Ward, for December election.

Which was referred to the Comptroller, with power.

INVITATION.

An invitation was received from the M. T. Brennan Hose Company, Number Sixty, to attend their annual ball, at Irving Hall, December 30.

Which was accepted.

PAPERS FROM BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Resolution, that the use of the Governor's Room be and hereby is tendered as a place of temporary deposit to the persons in charge of the remains of the late William L. Dayton, United States Minister at the Court of France.

Which was concurred in.

Bill of Cornelius Farley for fitting up poll of Eighth District Ninetenth Ward, amounting to ten dollars.

(By Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1864, referred to the Comptroller, with power.)

Which was concurred in.

Bill of John Brennan, for fitting up Sixth District, Fourth Ward, amounting to ten dollars.

(By Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1864, referred to the Comptroller, with power.)

Which was concurred in.

Resolution, that the Committee on National Affairs be directed to procure a stand of colors for the Thirty-seventh Regiment, New-York National Guard.

Which was laid over.

Resolution, that the salary of the Superintendent of Street Improvements be increased to the sum of four thousand dollars per annum, said increase to date from the first day of January, 1864.

Which was laid over.

Report of Committee on Assessments, with resolution, that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Patrick Brennan for the sum of sixty-seven dollars and ninety-one cents, being the amount illegally assessed against the property of said Brennan, situated on the corner of Eighty-fourth street and Broadway, and charge the same to the appropriate account.

Which was laid over.

GENERAL ORDERS.

Report of Committee on Sewers of the Board of Aldermen, with resolution, that a sewer, with the necessary receiving basins and culverts, be built in Seventy-eighth street, between Second and Third avenues, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Board, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Healy, Keenan, Riley, Brophy, Hagerty, Hayes, Webster, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Koster, Houghtaling, Haviland, McGrath, Jaques, Schaefer, Cook, Brandon, Brice, Russell and Fitzgerald—21.

Report of Committee on Public Health of Board of Aldermen, with resolution, that the low and sunken lots on the south side of Seventy-eighth street, between First and Second avenues, be filled in under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Healy, Keenan, Riley, Brophy, Hagerty, Hayes, Webster, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Koster, Houghtaling, Haviland, McGrath, Jaques, Schaefer, Cook, Brandon, Brice, Russell and Fitzgerald—21.

Resolution, that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the Children's Aid Society, for the sum of three thousand dollars, in aid of the funds of the Industrial Schools and Lodging-houses of said Society, the same to be charged to the account of "Charities and Donations."

Which was lost for want of a sufficient number of votes, as follows:

Affirmative—Councilmen Riley, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Koster, Houghtaling, Haviland, McGrath, Opdyke, Schaefer, Cook, Brandon, Brice and Fitzgerald—14.

Negative—Councilmen Healy, Keenan, Brophy, Hagerty, Webster, and Russell—6.

Councilman REPPER moved that such vote be reconsidered.

Which was carried.

And the paper was laid over.

Report of Committee on Finance of Board Aldermen, with resolution, that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Patrick McNamara, for the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, for loss of horse on the 11th day of November, 1864, and charge the same to its appropriate account.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Healy, Keenan, Riley, Brophy, Hagerty, Hayes, Webster, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Koster, Houghtaling, Haviland, McGrath, Jaques, Schaefer, Cook, Brandon, Brice, Russell and Fitzgerald—20.

Negative—Councilman Jaques—1.

MESSAGE FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

A message was received from his Honor the Mayor, relative to the remains of the Honorable William L. Dayton, late United States Minister to France.

Which was received and referred to the Committee on National Affairs.

GENERAL ORDERS AGAIN RESUMED.

Preamble (from Board of Aldermen), relating that certain contracts exist between the Corporation of the City of New-York with the Manhattan Gas-Light Company and the Metropolitan Gas Company, for the supplying of gas for lighting different districts of said city; that it has become expedient to terminate the same; with resolutions, first, that each of the said gas companies shall have the right to terminate their respective contracts with the Corporation, upon giving a written notice to the Street Commissioner of their desire so to terminate said contracts, and the same shall cease, determine and be absolutely at an end ten days after the receipt of said written notice from either of said gas companies by the Street Commissioner; and, second, that upon the termination of said contracts in the manner aforesaid, the said Street Commissioner shall, pursuant to law, proceed to make a contract or contracts with the Metropolitan Company for the supplying and lighting of the said districts of the city with gas, and fitting up the lamps therein, for the period of one year, from 14th January, 1865.

The President *pro tem.* stated the question to be on concurring with the Board of Aldermen.

Councilman KEENAN moved the previous question.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question, "Shall the main question now be put?"

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The paper was then concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Healy, Keenan, Riley, Brophy, Hagerty, Hayes, Webster, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Koster, Houghtaling, Haviland, McGrath, Schaefer, Cook, Brandon, Brice, Russell and Fitzgerald—20.

Negative—Councilman Jaques—1.

INVITATIONS RESUMED.

An invitation was received from Lexington Engine Company number Twenty-seven, to attend their annual ball at Irving Hall, January 16.

Which was accepted.

GENERAL ORDERS AGAIN RESUMED.

Report of Committee on Assessments of Board of Aldermen, with resolution to pay five hundred dollars arrears of taxes for "New Sailors' Home."

Councilman KEENAN moved that the Board do now adjourn.

Which was carried.

Whereupon, pending consideration of the above paper, the President *pro tem.* declared that the Board stood adjourned to Saturday, 31st inst., at 2 o'clock p. m.

JAS. M. SWEENY, Clerk.

Machinery.

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Proposals.

OFFICE OF
ASSISTANT COMMISSARY GENERAL OF SUBSISTENCE,
No. 4 STATE STREET, NEW-YORK, Jan. 6, 1865.

ARMY SUPPLIES.—SEALED PROPOSALS (in duplicate) will be received by the undersigned until 4 o'clock p. m., on THURSDAY, the 12th instant, for supplying, for the use of the United States Army, SUBSISTENCE STORES, to be delivered in New-York or Brooklyn, as follows, viz:

1,000 barrels NEW MESS or EXTRA MESS BEEF, in full-blooded oak barrels, with two iron hoops; bidders will state the brands, and will exhibit samples when practicable.

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20,000 pounds smoked BEEF HAMS, in sets, THOROUGHLY DRIED.

1,000,000 pounds first quality THOROUGHLY SMOKED new BACON SIDES.

The smoked beef hams, and bacon to be delivered in bulk for inspection and packing at such points in the city of New-York, as may be designated.

3,000 barrels of first quality extra superfine Southern, St. Louis, or other brands of FLOUR, suitable for keeping in a warm climate. The brands and places of manufacture to be stated in the bids. The barrels to be in good shipping order, with round hoops full head-lined and bunge sealed.

500 barrels first quality kiln-dried CORN MEAL, one half to be manufactured from white flint corn; sample of package to accompany proposals.

1,000,000 pounds of first quality PILOT BREAD, to be made of good sound Extra Ohio or other equally good *wide-bounded* flour; crackers to be thoroughly baked and perfectly dried before being packed, and in size, thickness, openness, &c., to conform to standard hereto-fore established, to be packed in boxes of 50 pounds bread to each box; boxes to be made of fully seasoned wood, of such kinds as will impart no taste or odor to the bread; bottom and top of single pieces, or if of two pieces tongued and grooved together. Boxes to be strapped with light straps of suitable wood. The Flour and Bread will also be examined by the Inspector, who will reject all that, in the quality of the flour, or in any other respect, is inferior to the standard samples. Bidders to state the location of their bakeries, when they can begin their deliveries, and how much bread they can deliver daily.

200,000 pounds prime NEW WHITE BEANS, well assorted and dry—to be packed in good, bright, well-coopered flour barrels, to be full head-lined.

20,000 pounds first quality SPLIT PEAS, to be packed in suitable barrels.

10,000 pounds of RICE, in clean, good, stout oak barrels, *the weight to be seen at the office.*

100,000 pounds first quality white flint corn HOMINY, size Nos. 3 and 4, in well-coopered head-lined flour barrels.

500,000 pounds of clean, dry BROWN SUGAR; barrels to be new and of the best in use for the purpose, and to be full head lined.

5,000 pounds PEPPER (black,) in original bags. Bidders will please state the variety of pepper, as Sumatra, Singapore, Penang, &c., furnishing samples.

Bids for Sugar and Pepper may be made *in bond, or duty paid.*

40,000 GALLONS of the best quality of PURE VINEGAR, made only from Cider or Whisky, free from all foreign acids and injurious substances, and of a uniform strength, the Whisky Vinegar taking thirty-five grains bi-carbonate of potash to neutralize one ounce troy, the Cider Vinegar as near the same strength as may be, to be put up in half barrels of 32 gallons capacity. Use samples, at this office. Each proposal must state distinctly the kind and quality of Vinegar offered, and the kind of package.

100,000 pounds best quality of ADAMANTINE CANDLES, to be 16 ounces to the pound, one-half sized, the remainder twelves.

200,000 pounds good hard SOAP, to be made by boiling anew, from good materials, free from clay, soluble glass, or other adulteration, to have no unpleasant odor, to contain not more than twenty-five per cent of water, and to be well dried before being packed.

200,000 pounds of good, clean, dry, fine SALT, in strong tight barrels and half barrels, adapted to the purpose, with full head-lining; sixty pounds to the bushel.

5,000 gallons good MOLASSES or SIRUP, in barrels or cypress half barrels with pine heads, and at least four iron hoops.

10,000 gallons of superior BOURBON WHISKY; barrels to be of good seasoned white oak staves and heads; to have twelve wooden and four strong iron hoops, heads and iron hoops painted. Returns required from a gauger and inspector to be named by the undersigned.

20,000 gallons of RECTIFIED WHISKY, to be full first proof, according to the United States Custom House standard; barrels to be of good seasoned white oak staves and heads; to have twelve wood and four strong iron hoops, head and iron hoops painted. Returns required as above.

100,000 pounds of crushed SUGAR; barrels to be new and of the best in use for the purpose, and to be full head lined.

20,000 pounds of ROASTED AND GROUND RYE, to be packed in strong barrels made of seasoned oak, paper lined. The Rye to be a good, sound, thoroughly cleaned article; to be inspected and accepted before roasting. Sample of the rye in the natural state as well as in the roasted and ground form, to be sent in with the proposals.

40,000 pounds best quality SPERM CANDLES, to be 16 ounces to the pound.

100 barrels of SAUER KRAUT.

The goods to be furnished as soon as practicable; bidders are requested to state the time when they can deliver.

Separate proposals, *in duplicate*, must be made for each article enumerated, and bidders may propose for the whole or any part of each.

Samples of all the articles must be delivered with the proposals, and referred to therein. Samples of Beans, Sugar, Rice, Candles, R. and G. Rye, Peas, Hominy, and Pepper, must be in neat boxes of card board or tin, fully labeled, and *not in paper parcels.*

A printed copy of this advertisement must be attached to each proposal, and the proposals must be specific in complying precisely with all the terms. Each bid, to have consideration, must contain the written guaranty of two responsible sureties, as follows:

"We, the undersigned, hereby guaranty that should all or any part of the above bid be accepted it shall be duly fulfilled according to its true purport and conditions; also that a written contract, with bonds to the amount of one-fourth the value of the stores proposed to be furnished, shall be executed, if required."

The seller's name, place of business, and the date of purchase, as well as the name of contents, with weight, gross and tare, and shipping marks, to be hereafter designated, must be plainly marked on every package. All other old marks must be obliterated. All boxes to be strapped with green hickory straps.

Certificates of inspection by professional packers or inspectors, either from the parties furnishing the provisions, will be required for the inspection on the part of the seller their present quality and condition, and the subsequent preceding inspection. The meat will also be examined and passed upon by Robert P. Getty, inspector on the part of the United States.

The flour will be inspected at the date of delivery, and compared with the retained samples by an inspector appointed by this office, whose certificates will be required.

All the stores will be carefully inspected before their delivery, and compared with the retained samples. Returns of weights, signed by a professional Public Weigher, must be furnished.

Payment will be made in currency or its equivalent, as soon as funds are received for the purpose.

Contractors are expected to hold their goods, without expense to the United States, until required for shipment.

Blanks for Proposals will be furnished at this office, and must be inclosed in an envelope addressed to the undersigned, and indorsed "Proposals for Subsistence Stores."

H. F. CLARKE, Colonel, A. D. C. and C. S.

MEDICAL PURVEYOR'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

PROPOSALS FOR ICE.—SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this Office until January 25, 1865, for furnishing ICE to the Medical Department of the Army, during the ensuing year, at the points herein designated. The Ice to be stored by the contractor in properly constructed ice-houses at each point of delivery, on or before the 15th of April next; the Ice not to be received for until its quality, the fitness of the ice-house, and the manner in which it is packed shall have been approved by a medical officer, and payments will be made only for the amount thus actually stored and received for.

The proposals will be made for the quantities indicated below as required at the respective places, with the proviso that should more be needed at any time for the year's supply, it shall be furnished at the same rates and under the same conditions:

	Quantity to be delivered at
Annapolis, Md., ice-house owned by the United States	150 tons.
Point Lookout, Md., ice-house owned by the United States	200 tons.
Fortress Monroe, Va., ice-house owned by the United States	300 tons.
Portsmouth, Va., ice-house not owned by the United States	150 tons.
Newbern, N. C., ice-house not owned by the United States	400 tons.
Hilton Head, S. C., ice-house owned by the United States	150 tons.
Beaufort, S. C., ice-house owned by the United States	300 tons.
Savannah, Ga., ice-house not owned by the United States	400 tons.
Pensacola, Fla., ice-house not owned by the United States	100 tons.
Mobile Bay, Ala., ice-house not owned by the United States	100 tons.
New-Orleans, La., ice-house owned by the United States	500 tons.

Proposals will also be received for furnishing Ice daily, by weight, for the year 1865—in such quantities as may be required by the Surgeons in charge—at United States General Hospitals, at the places enumerated above, and upon the following annual estimate, in and near—

Boston, Mass.	10 tons.
Portsmouth Grove, R. I.	150 tons.
New-Haven, Conn.	40 tons.
New-York	800 tons.
Newark, N. J.	100 tons.
Philadelphia, Pa.	1,000 tons.
Baltimore, Md.	500 tons.
Frederick, Md.	75 tons.
Washington, D. C.	2,500 tons.

All additional amounts that may be required at these places until January 1, 1866, are to be furnished at the same rates.

FORM OF PROPOSAL.

The undersigned propose to furnish ——— tons of first quality Ice, carefully packed in substantial Ice-houses, at the within named points, namely:

——— at the following price per ton of two thousand pounds, namely: at ——— ——— tons at $———per ton.

The Ice to be subject to the inspection, measurement, and approval of a Medical Officer, or other properly appointed inspector, before being receipted for.

Payment to be made from time to time upon duplicate bills certified to by the Medical Director.

(Signed.) ——— ———

FORM OF PROPOSAL.

The undersigned propose to furnish, deliver otherwise, all the Ice required for the hospitals, upon approved requisitions of Surgeons in charge, at or near the within named points, at the following price per hundred pounds, namely:

——— $——— cts. per hundred pounds.

The Ice shall be of the best quality, and subject to the approval of the Surgeon in charge, who will receipt for the actual amount delivered at each hospital.

Payment to be made from time to time upon duplicate bills, certified to by