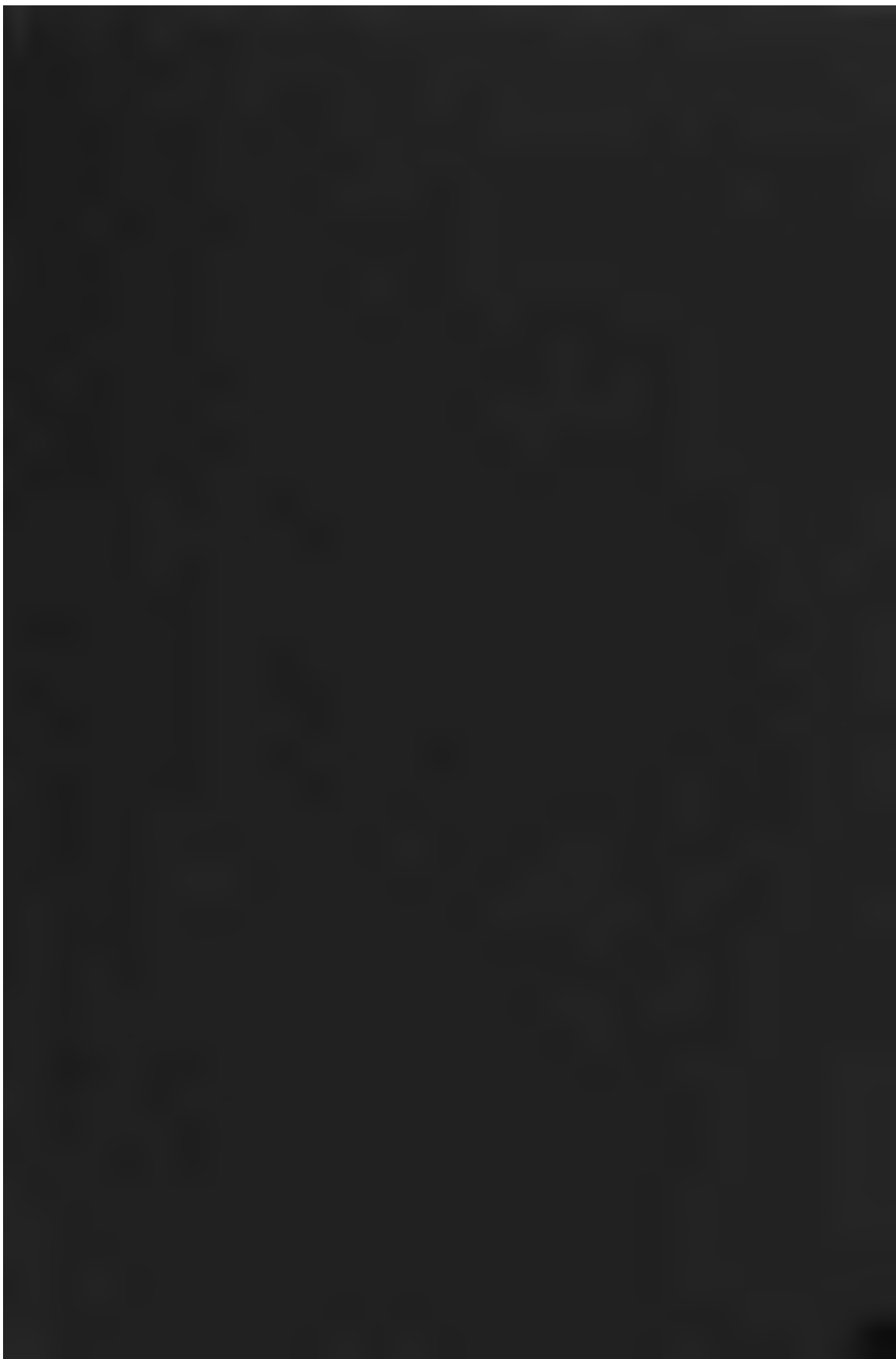




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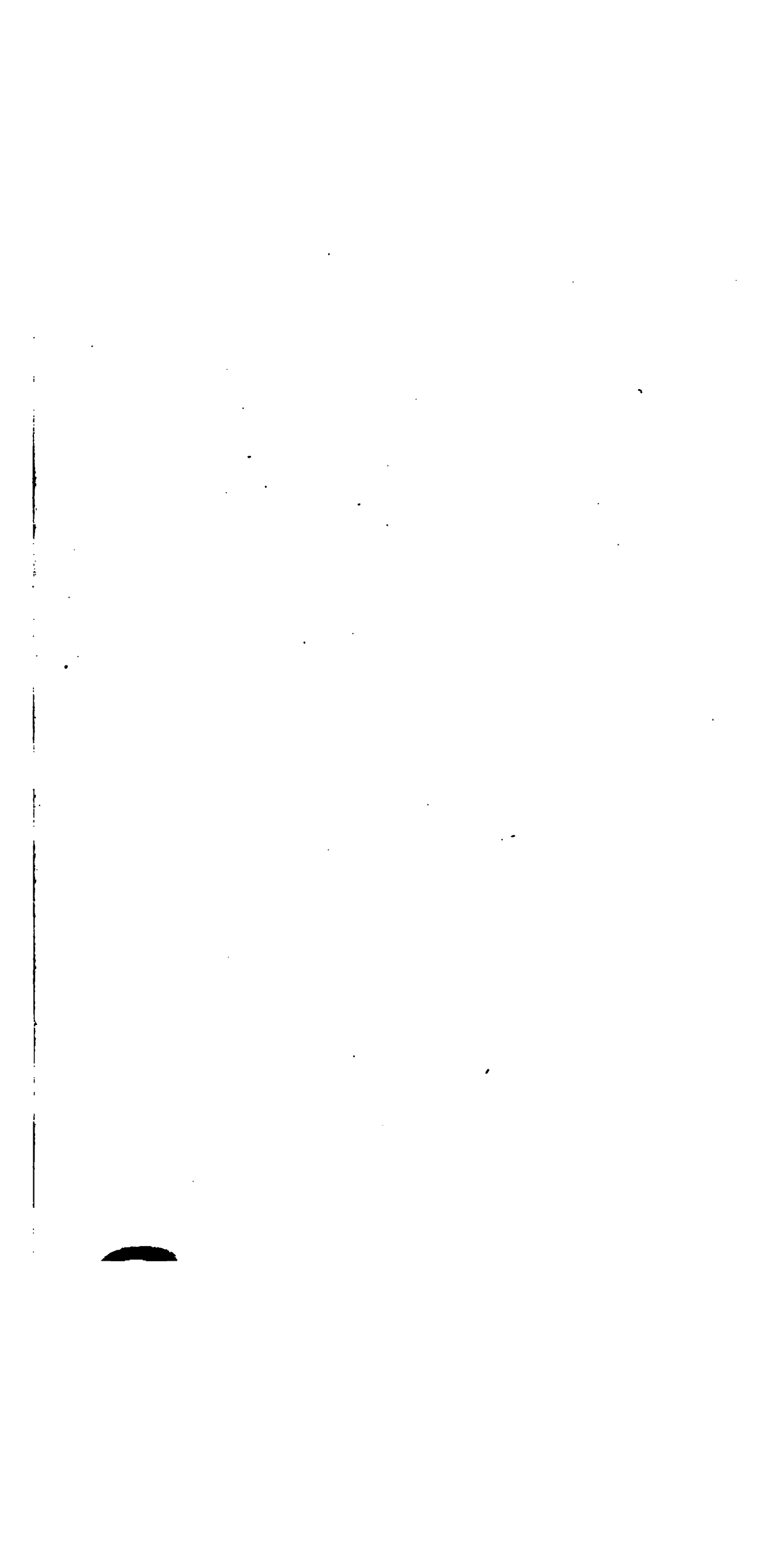












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## PREFACE.

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The design of this work is to gather and preserve materials for the history of Albany and its vicinity; it is therefore mainly documentary. One feature of the present volume is the Ancient City Records. No effort seems ever to have been made in the common council for the publication of these records, and there being no indexes to them, the acts of their predecessors have remained as a sealed book to the board for an indefinite time. I have printed them in this volume from the year 1753 to 1784, embracing the interesting period of the French and Indian war, as it is usually termed, and of the Revolution. They were begun in the *Annals of Albany*, with the year 1686, when the city charter went into operation, under Charles II, and were printed entire to 1753. There are masses of records still earlier in date, which remain in Dutch, awaiting the attention of a translator.

Two books of Dutch church records have been found in private hands since the last volume of the *Annals* was published, embracing an earlier period than any before known. A synopsis of them is given in the first eighty pages of this volume. In order to show the state of the language at that period in this city, a portion of the original has been given, and an attempt made to render it into English. If it shall be found not to have been so well done as could be wished, it is offered as the best the translator could do under the circumstances, and will subserve the purpose of the student of local history until something better is produced. These records serve to verify many dates of events before uncertain and

erroneously stated, by reason of the dim light shed upon them; also to fix the prices of various commodities, and to show the manners and customs of those early times, when the poor of the city were a charge upon the church. It will be seen that the collections taken up ostensibly for the support of the poor were so abundant as to provide funds for building churches, parsonages, and poor houses as well.

The Notes from the Newspapers embrace the principal events of the years 1859 and 1860, in continuation from the last dates of the *Annals of Albany*. They were principally gathered from the *Albany Evening Journal*, and as will be seen are often inserted verbatim. I am indebted to Mr. William J. Gibson for assistance in gleaning the files of that paper, the only one convenient of access.

The history of the State Street Presbyterian Church was furnished by Prof. David Murray, who took an active part in its organization. To the Rev. S. F. Morrow I am indebted for the history of the United Presbyterian Church, which is now flourishing under his ministry.

Several interesting papers are in progress for another volume, in which it is designed to bring down the events gathered from the newspapers to the time of publication. Much valuable material is awaiting opportunity to be worked up, and while the horn yields ink, and the lamp holds out to burn, it is proposed, *Deo volente*, to go on with the pleasant story of the olden time and the new.

J. M.

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## ALBANY PAPERS.

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### REFORMED PROTESTANT DUTCH CHURCH OF ALBANY.

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It is but recently that any important investigations have been made to bring to light the origin and early history of this church. It was the good fortune of Dr. O'Callaghan, a few years ago, to find among the archives of the Patroon, the most ancient documents that can reasonably be supposed to exist, respecting its origin. They are published at length in his *History of New Netherland*, establishing the time of the building of the first church, and giving minute particulars of the call of the first pastor. In the first volume of the *Annals of Albany* an attempt was made to gather, in a brief narrative, the particulars of its history and the succession of its ministry, derived principally from the church records. Earlier records than those in the archives of the First Church have since come to hand, by which we are enabled to correct some erroneous data in that narrative, from reliable entries, and to present a synopsis of the transactions of the deacons, in collecting and disbursing the alms of the church, during a period, almost uninterrupted, of half a century, from 1665 to 1715. The entries in these records are valuable in many respects. They show not only the amounts collected on various occasions, but also the customs and observances of the church; the dates of the deaths of important persons; the times of the arrivals of the pastors; the names of merchants doing business here; the prices of articles of merchandise, and of the currency in use; as well as other facts more or less important, and worthy of preservation, which are no where else to be found. Indeed it is all the record we have of the period it embraces, in the history of the church, except a few brief entries in the minutes of the common council, and a record of baptisms.

In the pages which follow it is purposed to avoid the repetition of any matters that have been published, except to correct errors. On page 91 of the first volume of the *Annals of Albany* was given a table of the succession of the pastors of the church, from 1642 to 1805. Without having



settled all the dates beyond doubt, a corrected list is here given of such of them as, by later discoveries, are found to have been erroneously stated.

1671 to 1680, Rev. Wilhelmus Van Nieuwenhuysen.

1695 to 1700, Rev. Johannes Petrus Nucella.

1700 to 1710, Rev. John Lydius.\*

1746 to 1759, Rev. Theodorus Frielinghuysen.†

### THE DEACONS' ACCOUNT BOOK.

The earliest record that has been found of this church, is a book of about six quires, in vellum binding, provided with buckskin thongs, in place of clasps, which was begun in 1665 by Stoffel Jansen Abeel. That earlier records have existed is made certain by a stray leaf of a book, evidently the last one of a quire, dated 1656, of part of which I have procured a facsimile to be printed.

This record exhibits the income of the poor fund, and the disbursements to those who were entitled to its benefits. When we consider the very humble charge which was placed under Dom. Megapolensis in 1642, and the very slow growth of the colony during the whole of that century, we observe with no small surprise, the magnitude of the collections that were taken up in the church, ostensibly for the poor. It is found that in 1647 the deacons loaned 300 guilders to the patroon at 10 per cent (O'Callaghan's *New Netherland*, I, 471). And the first item on the stray leaf of 1656, records a loan to a woman, on security. The book under consideration opens with an inventory of the investments of the surplus moneys in the hands of the consistory belonging to the poor, as follows:

Year.	To whom loaned.	Guilders.
1647	19 July, Jan Pieterse . . . . .	100
1649	6 Aug. Teunis Cornelise . . . . .	150
1651	16 Aug. Jacob Janse Van Norstrant . . . . .	72
"	16 Oct. Teunise Cornelise . . . . .	154
1652	25 July, Jan Machgulse Van Edam . . . . .	300
"	18 Aug. Merte Hendrikse . . . . .	280
	to which was added 15 Nov. 1660 . . . . .	100
1654	4 Nov. Jacob Jansen Van Norstrant . . . . .	300
1655	8 July, Teunis Cornelise . . . . .	150
"	20 July, Mary wife of Johannis Dyckman . . . . .	320
1657	9 April, Jacob Tysen . . . . .	300

\* An entry in the Deacons' book shows that Dom. Lydius and Dom. Freerman of Schenectady arrived together on the 20 Oct. and that the former preached his introductory sermon on the 28th of that month, 1700.

† A letter has been found, written at New York on the 10th October, 1759, which establishes the fact that he sailed on that day, and that gossip and predictions of a fatal voyage were rife, which led to the tradition of his loss at sea, and which is no where authenticated but by the garrulous Mrs. Grant. The tradition seems to have grown out of the ominous breaking down of the bench in the pulpit of a new church in which he preached on the Sunday before his departure. The Rev. Dr. De Witt says he went to Holland on business growing out of the impending controversy concerning the *cetus*. The time, place and manner of his death is not known. He published a catechism which was printed by Weyman in New York, the introduction to the second edition of which is dated at Albany, 1748.

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1653.

Wijgift der Deacons.		
<p>Januarij.</p> <p>27 ditto ardeer zinsverwone van Thomas Kuningh in spinaay, gelycke ontfangen, 2500. . . . .</p> <p>25 24-</p>	<p>27</p>	
Februarij.		
<p>5 ditto woey sub ondie vandy E. Porechubdudt, vandy datof: Intributid d' 1652 of, tot dy 2. Februaary 1653 sijnde g'woerde a/ 3 ter w. s. k. ay. Tinnit Juref: voor bestaend van sijn wromote Oude, sijnde in yobwvoocht goet wromote, estate . . . . .</p> <p>17 ditto ay. Postgen Juref: of afkotinge vande Dromote - spalle in yobvige, s'wong estate . . . . .</p> <p>- ditto op afkotinge voor t'adiding vande Oude vande Kinsverwone van Tinnit Juref: estate i. Oude van Restant . . . . .</p>	<p>27</p> <p>50</p> <p>9</p>	



Year.	To whom loaned.	Gilders.	Stivers.
1661	3 January, Jan Verbeek . . . . .	164	5
1663	22 Feb'y, Wullem de Nef . . . . .	160	
1663	24 April, the Lords Commissaries . . . . .	65	8
1664	Maettys Servas . . . . .	50	
1664	Jan Timmer . . . . .	76	
	Jan Franse van Hoesom debit . . . . .	87	8
1665	5 Feb. Swart Merten . . . . .	150	00
	29 Ap. Jakop Jans. van Norstran debit . . . . .	40	
	30 May, Dom. Schaets borrowed 280, which he is to return on the receipt of his salary . . . . .	280	
	28 July, Cornelius van de Bogert was buried. Martin Post must pay . . . . .	33	
	which he has consented to do.		

The twenty-one following leaves contain the entries of Deacon Abeel and his successors, illustrating the terms of these loans, and containing the credit entries, as well as other transactions. Entries are made to the names of Wynant Gerritsen, 1665, Claes Ripsen [van Dam?], 1667, Barent Meyndersen, Doctor (Meester) Cornelis Van Dyck, Keesie Kroenen, Sander Leendersen Glen, Geurt Hendericksen, timmerman, and Claes Vijlspiegel, in the hand writing of Jan Provoost, which is a very beautiful style of penmanship; quite a contrast to that of Deacon Abeel, which is obscure, and that of his successor Jacob Sefermerhooren, which though plainer is coarse. Then follow transactions in 1668, in the hand of Jan Vinhaeghen, with Teunes Cornelisen Slingerlant, Jan Martense, Willem Jansen, Klass Vijlenspiegel, Hans den Kluyt of Schanechtade, and Guert Hendricksen, timmerman. The debit entries in the account of the latter, are 32 gilders each month, "cassa in sewant betaelt," that is paid in wampum currency. The credit is made in December thus: "Angenomen een kint van Karsten die Noorman om het selve te onderhouden den tyt van een Jaer van kost en dranck voor die somma van 32 gull. in seewant jeder maent, 384;" which is, a credit for the board of Karsten de Norman's child one year. The next three entries are made by Mester Jacobus Dehinsle, in 1670, against Zacharias Sickels, Jan Tomas, and Tys Barentsen. Cornelis Van Dyck makes two entries in 1672 against Swarte Meerte and Cornelis Stevenson. The last entries preceding the regular monthly transactions of the country, are in the hand of Dierck Wessels, in 1675.

We now come to the accounts proper, written in the uncomely character of Stoff Jansen Abeel, and the most obscure in the book, except that of Marten Gerretsen van Bergen in 1671, and the certificates of Dom. Schaets. To exhibit the subject clearly, the Dutch and English are given in opposite columns. The currency is wampum, or *sewant* as it is written, the Indian money of the country, in gilders and stivers. The translations must be taken with a grain of allowance, on account of the rudeness and obscurity of the original. The orthography of proper names sets all rules at defiance.

1665 <i>Onfangens der Deyaconie in Albanie, Janwaerriis.</i>		1665 <i>Receipts of the Deaconry in Albany, in January.</i>	
1	Onfangen bey de kas aen los seawaent . . . . .	1	Received with the chest in loose seawant* . . . . .
	ditto geregent sewant . . . . .	do	in strung seawant . . . . .
	ditto 16 obel gasse belop samen . . . . .	do	16 obligations, total amount . . . . .
	ditto sulver gelt, 4 gul. 12 st.* . . . .	do	silver money, 4 guilders 12 stivers
	ditto 51 el fiams linden . . . . .	do	51 ells Fliemish linen . . . . .
	ditto 9 paer verrose kossen . . . . .	do	9 pairs Friesland stockings
1	inde Kerck versammel . . . . .	1	Collected in the church . . . . .
2	van Jan Tymnese van het klyn doet kleet . . . . .	2	Paid by Jan Tymnese for the use of the small pall . . . . .
4	Sondach in de kerck versammel . . . . .	4	Sunday collections in the church . . . . .
7	Wonsdach in de kerck versammel . . . . .	7	Wednesday do do . . . . .
9	Ontfangen van Jan Machgijls 2 schepel terwe . . . . .	9	Received from Jan Machielsen 2 schepel† of wheat . . . . .
11	Sondach in de kerck versammel . . . . .	11	Sunday collections in the church . . . . .
14	Wonsdach in de kerck versammel . . . . .	14	Wednesday do do . . . . .
18	Sondach in de kerck versammel . . . . .	18	Sunday do do . . . . .
21	Wonsdach bedach versammel . . . . .	21	Wednesday (day of prayer) do . . . . .
25	Sondach in de kerck versammel . . . . .	25	Sunday collections in the church . . . . .
28	Wonsdach in de kerck versammel . . . . .	28	Wednesday do do . . . . .
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1665 <i>Uyet Gifte ande Behoefde Janwaerriis.</i>		<i>Disbursements for the Poor, January, 1665.</i>	
2	An Mester Pieter gelanch vor de 2 Engelse van begraven . . . . .	2	To Mr. Peter for burying 2 Englishmen . . . . .
6	Een erde poete van Mester Jan Becker vor Marie van Jan Becker . . . . .	6	“ Jan Becker for an earthen pot for Jan de Bock's Marie . . . . .
			1 5

\* It will be observed in all these accounts that the terms are carried out into the figures column although the article may be entered in the account in the column of the value in wammum or account, as it is called. The silver and gold seems to have remained in the treasury and finally to have been appropriated to other purposes.

† The Dutch schepel or bushel is equivalent to 3 pecks of our measure.

‡ See next paragraph. The orthography is quite uniformly correct in all the records. See *Journal of Albany* (c) p. 106.

dito een decker van myn vor	30	do a quilt of mine for	30
dito an gelt genoeten	1	do in money	1
dito an klyn bier tot Pieter om	1	To small beer for the use of Uncle Peter	1
An Eysbrant Elbers gelanck 1 bos sewant daet hel slech wast daet myn niet toegerecken is en an gelt gedaen	5	Isbrant Elbersen, a bunch of sewant, which was so poor that no charge of it was made to me. Also in money	5
18 dito een schepel tarwe		13 do a schepel of wheat	
An Aeren de Vris 6½ el Flams linden		do Aaron de Vries 6½ ells Flemish linen	
15 An Frans Kennick een schepel tarwe		15 Frans Kennick, a schepel of wheat	
dito 12 bb ressel van Immete Bachster	18	do 12 lbs lard from Emmetje Baxter	18
16 An Basse Pieterse vor ker waet kost gelt	32	16 Basse Petersen for Kerwaet's board	32
18 An Eysbrant Elberse een gelt gedaen	6	18 Isbrant Elbersen in money	6
dito een paar vrouw koesse van pelupen	4	do a pair of women's stockings from Pelupen	4
24 Wullem Brouer 2 schepel maïjs	10	do William Brouwer, 2 schepels corn	10
27 An Ysbrant Elberse an gelt gedaen	6	27 Isbrant Elbersen in money	6
An Basse Pieterse vor kostgelt van Korwan	32	do Basse Petersen for boarding Korwan	32
28 Wullem Brouer an gelt gedaen, en 6½ el linden en 2 schepel tarwe	4 10	28 William Brouwer in money, and 6½ ells linen, and 2 schepels wheat	4 10
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1665 *Onfangen der Deyaconie Feberwaers.*

1 Sondach versammel	36 8
4 Wonsdach in de kerok versammel	9 8
6 Van Jan Tyse op papsekie het klyn doet klet*	5
8 Sondach in de kerok versammel	41 8
9 Van Jan Hermense Baeker ontfangen tot almis	10
11 Wonsdach in de kerok versammel	8 11
11 Evert Wendel heft het klyn doet klet	5

\*The *klein dood-kleet*, or pall, was subject to a rent of 5 guilders (about \$3) for children, and the *groot dood-kleet*, for adults, 10 guilders. At a later day the revenues of these palls

*Receipts of the Deacony in February, 1665.*

1 Collected on Sunday	36 8
4 do on Wednesday in the church	9 8
6 From Jan Tyseen of Papskini for the small pall	5
8 Collected on Sunday in the church	41 8
9 From Jan Hermensen Baeker for the poor	10
11 Collected on Wednesday in the church	8 11
11 Evert Wendell for the small pall	5

was diverted from the use of the poor to other funds of the church, and they were inventoried yearly with the other effects of the church.

1665 *On/angen* [Continued.]

15	Sondach in de kerk versammel . . . . .	38
18	Wonsdach in de kerk versammel . . . . .	6 14
22	Sondach in de kerk versammel . . . . .	37
23	Wullm Hofmyer het klyn doet klet geheh . . . . .	5
25	Wonsdach in de kerk versammel . . . . .	4 15
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*Receipts, &c., Continued.*

15	Collected on Sunday in the church . . . . .	38
18	do on Wednesday do . . . . .	6 14
22	do on Sunday do . . . . .	37
23	William Hofmeyer for the small pall . . . . .	5
25	Collected on Wednesday in the church . . . . .	4 15
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1665 *Uyet Gifte aen de Behoeden Februoers.*

1	Jan Machgilsen an garen genoeten . . . . .	6 10
2	Isbrant Aelbers an gelt genoeten . . . . .	6
6	Wullem Bruer 4lb boeter van barrs rynes . . . . .	6 8
9	Isbran Aelbers an gelt genoeten . . . . .	6
12	Basse Pietersse vor Kerwaet van kost gelt . . . . .	32
13	Jan Machgils an gelt genoeten . . . . .	6
13	Jangen de Brouster vor het mine van Arren Isaacks kint . . . . .	35
16	Isbrant Elberse an gelt genoeten . . . . .	6
17	Wullem Brouer an gelt genoeten . . . . .	16
21	Jan Machgils an gelt genoeten . . . . .	1 16
23	Isbrant Elbers an gelt genoeten . . . . .	6
23	Kerwaet een ancker klyn bier . . . . .	2 10
	do 4 lb strop van Wouter Alberse . . . . .	2 8
	do an gelt genoeten . . . . .	1
23	Basse Pieters 4 lb strop van Wouter Alberse . . . . .	2 8
25	Anten Normans an gelt genoeten . . . . .	1 10
25	Wulle Brouer 8 lb reesel van Evert de Backer . . . . .	12
25	do an gelt genoeten . . . . .	2 16
25	Huber Janse 2 lb reesel van Evert de Backer . . . . .	3
	do an gelt genoeten . . . . .	1

*Disbursements for the Poor, February, 1665.*

1	Jan Maghielsen, in thread . . . . .	6 10
2	Isbrant Elbersen, in money . . . . .	6
6	William Brouwer, 4 lbs. butter from Bars Ryns . . . . .	6 8
9	Isbrant Elbersen, in money . . . . .	6
12	Basse Petersen, for Kerwaet's board . . . . .	32
13	Jan Machielsen, in money . . . . .	6
13	Jangen de Brouster, for wetnursing Aaron Isack's child . . . . .	35
16	Isbrant Elbersen, in money . . . . .	6
17	William Brouwer, in money . . . . .	16
21	Jan Machielsen, in money . . . . .	1 16
23	Isbrant Elbersen, in money . . . . .	6
23	Kerwaet, for an anker of small beer . . . . .	2 10
	do 4 lbs molasses of Wouter Elbersen . . . . .	2 8
	do in money . . . . .	1
	Basse Petersen, 4 lbs. molasses of Wouter Elbersen . . . . .	2 8
25	Antjen Normans, in money . . . . .	1 10
25	William Brouwer, 8 lbs. lard of Evert de Backer . . . . .	12
25	do in money . . . . .	2 16
25	Hubert Jansen, 2 lbs lard of Evert de Backer . . . . .	3
	do in money . . . . .	1

<p>26 Eysbrant Elbers an gelt geoeten, 8½ el flams linden</p>	<p>155 16</p>
<p>1665 <i>Ontfang der Deyaconie Mertius.</i></p>	
<p>1 Sondach ind kerck versammel* . . . . .</p> <p>4 Wonsdach ind kerck versammel . . . . .</p> <p>8 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .</p> <p>11 Wonsdach inde kerck versammel . . . . .</p> <p>14 Jan Hendricks Bryn het klyn doet klet . . . . .</p> <p>15 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .</p> <p>18 Wonsdach inde kerck versammel . . . . .</p> <p>22 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .</p> <p>28 Van Andris de vos ontfangen van groete en klyn doet klet van Vose vrou en kint begravenis . . . . .</p> <p>25 Wonsdach inde kerck versammel . . . . .</p> <p>29 Sondach in de kerck versammel . . . . .</p>	<p>31 14</p> <p>3 8</p> <p>31</p> <p>6</p> <p>5</p> <p>36</p> <p>4</p> <p>38</p> <p>15</p> <p>6 5</p> <p>34</p> <hr/> <p>211 2</p>
<p>1665 <i>Uyet Gifte aen de Behoevde Mertius.</i></p>	
<p>2 Eysbrant Elbers an gelt ge noet . . . . .</p> <p>2 An Antonnye Jans betal 6 mudje brande wyn ten de oude kappe tyn uyet getroeken is . . . . .</p> <p>ditto 1 kan brandy wyn toen Jan Machgijlse seijn vrou begravenis . . . . .</p> <p>3 An Pieter Bronck gelanck beloft van diet jaer werthe lange . . . . .</p>	<p>6</p> <p>4 4</p> <p>7 4</p> <p>50</p>
<p>26 Isbrant Elbersen in money, 8½ ells Flemish linen</p>	<p>155 16</p>
<p><i>Receipts of the Deaconry, March, 1665.</i></p>	
<p>1 Collected on Sunday in the church . . . . .</p> <p>4 do Wednesday do . . . . .</p> <p>8 do Sunday do . . . . .</p> <p>11 do Wednesday do . . . . .</p> <p>14 Jan Hendriksen Bruyn for the small pall . . . . .</p> <p>15 Collected on Sunday in the church . . . . .</p> <p>18 do Wednesday do . . . . .</p> <p>22 do Sunday do . . . . .</p> <p>23 From Andries de Vos for the large and small pall in the burial of his wife and child . . . . .</p> <p>25 Collected on Wednesday in the church . . . . .</p> <p>29 do Sunday do . . . . .</p>	<p>31 14</p> <p>3 8</p> <p>31</p> <p>6</p> <p>5</p> <p>36</p> <p>4</p> <p>38</p> <p>15</p> <p>6 5</p> <p>34</p> <hr/> <p>211 2</p>
<p><i>Disbursements for the Poor in March, 1665.</i></p>	
<p>2 Isbrant Elbersen, in money . . . . .</p> <p>Antony Jansen for 6 small measures of brandy which was used when the old captain was laid out do 1 kan of brandy used at the burial of John Machielsens wife . . . . .</p> <p>3 Peter Bronck, on his promise to return it during the year . . . . .</p>	<p>6</p> <p>4 4</p> <p>7 4</p> <p>50</p>

\* This term, as well as all its modifications in these books, should have been written versameld. Deacon Aled's orthography for the word *Zondag* and *Wensdag* was peculiar.

The peculiarities in the orthography of all the writer, may have been provincialisms.



<i>1665 Uyet Gifte. [Continued.]</i>		<i>Disbursements, &amp;c. Continued.</i>	
4	An Mester Cornelis gelanck an gelt met 3 laepen peltarris sammen 5 gul. An bevers seyn mijn niet in recken gelanck vor het Mester Ion van karwaet	4	To Dr. Cornelis [van Dyck] in money with 3 pieces of peltries, worth 5 guilders. To beavers which I have taken no account of, for the physician's bill for Kerwaet
5	Wullem Brower 1 schepel tarwe . . . . .	5	William Brouwer, 1 schepel of wheat . . . . .
9	Eysbrant Elbers an gelt gedaen . . . . .	9	Isbrant Elbersen, in money . . . . .
9	Lamber van Valcke burch 12 el linde dito 3½ lb resel, van Evert de Backer dito en gelt genoeten . . . . .	9	Lambert van Valkenburg, 12 ells linen do 3½ lbs. lard from Evert de Backer do in money . . . . .
11	Huyber Jans 1 broet, en 2½ lb resel [reuzel] sammen Jan van Bremme, 1 schepel tarwe . . . . . dito 13½ el Flams linde . . . . .	11	Hubert Jansen, 1 loaf of bread and 2½ lbs lard together Jan van Bremen, 1 schepel of wheat do 1 ell Flemish linen . . . . .
16	Basse Pieter, an gelt gedaen . . . . .	16	Basse Petersen, in money . . . . .
16	Wullem Brouer, an gelt genoeten . . . . .	16	William Brouwer, in money . . . . .
17	Eysbrant Elberse an gelt genoeten . . . . .	17	Isbrant Elbersen, in money . . . . .
17	Wullem Brouer 1 schepel tarwe . . . . .	17	William Brouwer, 1 schepel wheat do 1 schepel corn . . . . .
18	Huyber Janse 1 broet . . . . .	18	Hubert Jansen, 1 loaf bread . . . . .
20	Sacharyjas an gelt genoeten . . . . .	20	Zacharias, in money . . . . .
23	Eysbrant Elbers an gelt gedaen . . . . .	23	Isbrant Elbersen, in money . . . . .
24	An Teunis de Messelaer van hout ryen vor Jan Machgilse . . . . .	24	To Teunis de Messelaer for caring wood for Jan Machielsen . . . . .
24	An Herme Brouer 1 ancker klyn bier vor Kerwaet	24	To Harnen Brouwer, 1 anker small beer for Kerwaet
25	Jan van Bremme 1 schepel tarwe . . . . .	25	Jan van Bremen, 1 schepel wheat . . . . .
30	Eysbrant Elberse an gelt gedaen . . . . . dito 1 schepel erten . . . . . dito an gelt genoeten . . . . .	30	Isbrant Elbersen, in money . . . . . do 1 schepel peas do in money . . . . .
30	An Basse Pieters gelt genoeten . . . . .	30	To Basse Petersen, in money . . . . .
		84	84

1665 <i>Uyet Gifte, [Continued.]</i>		<i>Disbursements for April continued.</i>	
28 Jan Machgijse an gelt genoeten . . . . .	3	23 To Jan Machielse in money . . . . .	8
27 Eysbrant an gelt genoeten . . . . .	6	27 " Isbrant in money . . . . .	6
27 Vor Kaste Norman betael an gosse gerst . . . . .	10	27 Paid for barley for Karsten Norman . . . . .	10
dito betael tot de grueten . . . . .	5	" to the miller . . . . .	5
29 Wullem Brouer 2 broede van rinhou [Rinokhout?] . . . . .	2 10	29 William Brower 2 loaves of bread for Rinckhout . . . . .	2 10
29 Jakop van Norstrant an gelt gedaen . . . . .	40	29 Jacob van Norstrant in money . . . . .	40
Hir op gelanch 2 sulver lepels . . . . .		for which he pawned 2 silver spoons . . . . .	
29 Aerre de Vries, 2 schepel maeyns . . . . .	10	29 Aaron de Vries, 2 schepels corn . . . . .	10
29 Wullem Brouer an gelt genoeten . . . . .	1 16	29 William Brower in money . . . . .	1 16
den 2 sulver lepels . . . . .		the two silver spoons . . . . .	
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	188 19		188 19
1665 <i>Ontfangens der Deyaconys en Meyns.</i>		<i>Receipts by the Deaconry in May, 1665.</i>	
8 Sonedach inde kerek ver sammel . . . . .	30 15	8 Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .	30 15
9 Sondach inde kerek ver sammel . . . . .	24 8	9 Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .	24 8
8 Hemmel vaersdach inde kerek versam . . . . .	10 13	8 (?) Collected in the church on Ascension day . . . . .	10 13
16 Sondach inde kerek versammel . . . . .	25 13	16 Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .	25 13
18 Hans Hendrs tot een almis geven . . . . .	3	18 Given by Hans Hendersen for the poor . . . . .	3
23 Panster Sondach inde kerek versammel . . . . .	35 16	23 Collected in the church on Pentecost Sunday . . . . .	35 16
dito Mandach inde kerek versammel . . . . .		that is, on Whitsunday . . . . .	
30 Sondach inde kerek versammel . . . . .	28	Collected in the church on Pentecost Monday . . . . .	28
	34	Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .	34
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	192 5		192 5
1665 <i>Uyet Gifte an de Behoeverd in Myus.</i>		<i>Disbursements for the Poor in May, 1665.</i>	
2 Wullem Brouer een Broet . . . . .	1 5	2 William Brouwer, a loaf of bread . . . . .	1 5
dito 1 schepel tarwe . . . . .	6 10	do 1 schepel of wheat . . . . .	6 10
4 Eysbrant Elbers en gelt genoeten . . . . .	6	4 Isbrant Elbersen in money . . . . .	6

4 An Geysber Klermacher betael 100 elfte die Wullem Brouer en Jan van Bremer sammen genoet heft . . . . .	10	4 Paid Gysbert Klermaker for 100 shad which William Brouwer and Jan van Bremer had together . . . . .	10
6 Basse Pieters an gelt genoeten heft . . . . .	4	6 Basse Petersen in money . . . . .	4
8 Jan Karrels 2 tonne kalick tot het armen huys 8 Wullem Brouer 2 wiete broede die pris gemach waerre van de backers	10	8 Jan Karrels 2 barrels of lime for the poor house 8 William Brouwer 2 loaves white bread confiscated from the bakers [for short weight]	10
8 dito 2 gros broede van Direk Wessels . . . . .	2	12 do 2 large loaves of bread from Direk Wessels	2
12 Sacharyjas 1 wiete brode prys gemach dito 11 elle Flams linde	10	12 Zacharias, 1 loaf white bread confiscated do 11 ells Flemish linen.	10
12 Eysbrant Elbers an gelt genoeten . . . . .	6	12 Isbrant Elbersen in money . . . . .	6
12 Wullem Brouer 1 scepel tarwe, 1 scepel maey dito an gelt genoeten	11	12 William Brouwer 1 scepel wheat and 1 scepel corn do in money . . . . .	11
12 Jan de Backer geopper an het armen huys 1½ dach 7 guld dach . . . . .	10	12 Jan de Backer, for masonry at the poor house 1½ days at 7 gilders a day . . . . .	10
18 Kasten Normans 2 scepel maey van Jan van Bac.	10	18 Karsten Norman 2 scepels corn from Jan van Bac.	10
13 Basse Pieterse 2 scepel maey . . . . .	10	* Basse Pietersen 2 scepels corn . . . . .	10
14 Kaste Normans 2 scepel tarwe . . . . .	1	do in money . . . . .	1
17 Eysbrant an gelt genoeten . . . . .	13	14 Karsten Norman 2 scepels wheat . . . . .	13
18 Teunis de Messelaer 1½ dach gewrck an het armen huys . . . . .	6	17 Isbrant in money . . . . .	6
18 An et armen huys gedaen 240 sten . . . . .	18	18 Teunis de Messelaer [metzelaer, the mason] for 1½ days work on the poor house . . . . .	18
20 Wullem Brouer 2 broede van Dannel Rinck . . . . .	5	18 240 bricks furnished to the poor house . . . . .	5
25 dito 2 broede . . . . .	2	20 William Brouwer, 2 loaves bread from Daniel Rinckhout	2
25 Eysbrant Elbers an gelt genoeten . . . . .	10	do do 2 do . . . . .	10
25 An onkoste van het schonmacken vande Kerck soe an schonmackers . . . . .	2	25 Isbrant Elbersen, in money . . . . .	2
31 An Gideyon Schas pastor an gelt gedaen als sey seyng gaesse on sal wer om lang . . . . .	6	25 Expenses of cleaning the church, including the pay of the cleaners . . . . .	6
	55	31 Loaned Gideon Schaets the pastor, in money to be returned by him on the receipt of his salary	55
	100		100

<i>1665 Uyet Gefte, [Continued.]</i>		<i>Disbursements for May, continued.</i>	
31 Eysbrant Elberse an gelt genoeten . . . . .	6	31 Isbrant Elbersen in money . . . . .	6
31 Basse Pieters an gelt genoeten . . . . .	3	31 Basse Petersen in money . . . . .	3
Hier 11 el linde		On hand 11 ells linen.	308 3
308 3			
<i>1665 Ontfange der Deyackonie in Juny.</i>		<i>Receipts by the Deacony in June, 1665.</i>	
6 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	43 14	6 Collected on Sunday in the church . . . . .	43 14
13 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	40 7	do do . . . . .	40 7
20 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	48 6	do do . . . . .	48 6
28 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	38 6	do do . . . . .	38 6
28 Van Jan Brickel ontfangh van klyn doet klet . . . . .	5	28 From Jan Brickel for the small pall . . . . .	5
175 13			
<i>1665 Uyet Gifte an de behoerde in Juny.</i>		<i>Disbursements for the Poor in June, 1665.</i>	
8 Aerre de Vris 2 schepel maeyns van bal . . . . .	10	3 Aaron de Vries, 2 schepels corn from Bal . . . . .	10
5 Wullem Brouer 2 broede van Rinckhouet . . . . .	2 10	5 William Brouwer, 2 loaves of bread, from Rinckhout . . . . .	2 10
dito schepel maeyns . . . . .	5	do 1 schepel of corn . . . . .	5
8 Eysbrant Elbers an gelt genoete . . . . .	6	8 Isbrant Elbersen in money . . . . .	6
8 Van Klas de Brabander 10 stu postes tot het kerri- hoft het stu 15 st. . . . .	7 10	8 From Klas de Brabander 10 posts for the church yard at 15 stivers each . . . . .	7 10
19 An Pieter Bogertdes betal 34 rouyte stoppen an het armen huys . . . . .	11 18	19 Paid to Peter Bogardus for setting 34 broken window panes at the poor house . . . . .	11 18
19 Wullem Brouer 2 broede tot Rinckhoue . . . . .	2 10	10 William Brouwer, 2 loaves bread of Rinckhout . . . . .	2 10
12 Aerre de Vris 2 schepel mayes tot van bael . . . . .	10	12 Aaron de Vries, 2 schepel corn, from Van Bael . . . . .	10
12 Wullem Brouer 1 broet daet de koppe tyn prys dito an gelt genoete . . . . .	2 8	12 William Brouwer, 1 loaf bread confiscated by the captain do in money . . . . .	2 8
18 Eysbrant Elberse an gelt genote . . . . .	6	13 Isbrant Elbersen, in money . . . . .	6
13 Basse Pieterse 2 schepel maeyns . . . . .	10	13 Basse Petersen, 2 schepels corn . . . . .	10

14	Wullem Brouer 1 broet van Rinckhouet	1	5	14	William Brouwer, 1 loaf bread, from Rinckhout	1	5
17	Van Asselve ½ lb was vor	1	5	17	Van Asselvoe ½ lb. wax	1	5
18	Basse Pieterse an gelt genoete	5	18	18	Basse Pieterse in money	5	18
19	Wullem Brouer an gelt genoete	3	9	19	William Brouwer in money	3	9
21	Jan Ryssen 10 el rue linde, 3 gu el, van Margriet	30		21	Jan Ryssen, 10 ells coarse linen, 3 gilders per ell, from Margaret	30	
	Van 331 gul van rycklon van myn brou	16	11		Interest on 331 gilders from my brother	16	11
21	Eysebrant Elbers an gelt genoete	6		21	Isbrant Elbersen in money	6	
21	Wullem Brouer an gelt genoete	5		21	William Brouwer in money	5	
25	dito 2 broede van Rinckhouet	2	10	25	do 2 loaves bread from Rinckhout	2	10
29	Eysebrant Elberse an gelt genoete	6		29	Isbrant Elbersen in money	6	
30	Aerre de Vris 2 schepe! maeys daer is 10 el linde	10		30	Aaron de Vries, 2 schepels corn There is 10 ells of linen.	10	
		161	14			161	14
	1665 Ontfanghs der Deyaconi in July.				Receipts by the Deacony in July, 1676.		
2	Vry dach in de kerok ver sammel	14	12	2	Collected in the church on Friday	14	12
4	Sondach inde herre avent mal versam. dito en dubel stuyver ver sammel	127	16	4	Collected at the communion on Sunday do a double stiver also	127	16
10	Marte Post heft groet doet klet . . . dito sey moet vor Cornelis van de Boger betalle 15 gul vor seyn hem en 2 plancks tot seyn doet kist.	10		10	Marte [Martha?] Post had the great pall. She must also pay 15 gilders for the winding sheet of Cornelis van de Bogert, and 2 boards for his coffin.	10	
11	Sondach in de kerok versammel	48		11	Collected in the church on Sunday	48	
18	Sondach in de kerok versammel	45	18	18	do do do	45	18
26	Sondach in de kerok versammel	47		26	do do do	47	
27	Van Maetys Stendaem tot almis genoet	10		27	From Matthias Standum for the benefit of the poor	10	
28	Cornellis van de Bogert de broer van Teunis Jakobs is noch debet soe van de broedel overschiet soe salmen genieten			28	Cornelis van de Bogert, Teunis Jacobsen's brother, is indebted to the deacons; if any thing remains of his personal effects after payment it will come to us. There is also a double stiver.		
	Daer is noch 1 dubel stuyver.	304	6			304	6

1665 <i>Uyet Gifte an de Behoevede in July.</i>		<i>Disbursements for the Poor in July, 1665.</i>	
2	Frans Konnick 20 el rû linde van Margriet . . . . .	2	Frans Koning 20 ells coarse linen from Margriet . . . . .
2	Eysbrant Elbers 1 paer kossen van Andries Tel . . . . .	2	Isbrant Elbersen 1 pair stockings from Andries Teller . . . . .
3	Van Andries Teller 4 kan Spansse wyn tot het herre aven mal . . . . .	3	Andries Teller 4 cans Spanish wine for the use of the communion . . . . .
3	Wullem Brouer 3 broede van Rinckhouet . . . . .	3	William Brouwer 3 loaves bread to Rinckhout . . . . .
5	Eysbrant an gelt genoete . . . . .	5	Isbrant, in money . . . . .
5	Basse Pieterse 10 lb strop tot Rinckhouet . . . . .	5	Basse Pietersen 10 lbs. molasses from Rinckhout . . . . .
	ditto 2 schepel maeyts tot van Bal . . . . .		2 schepels corn from van Bal . . . . .
7	Wullem Brouer 1 Broet . . . . .	7	William Brouwer, 1 loaf bread . . . . .
7	Kaste Norman 2 schepel tarwe . . . . .	7	Karsten Norman, 2 schepels of wheat . . . . .
7	Van Alrichs kler macker 24 el linde . . . . .	7	To Van Alrichs, tailor, 24 ells linen . . . . .
12	Eysbrant Elberse an gelt genoeten . . . . .	12	Isbrant Elbersen in money . . . . .
16	Kaste Norman an gelt genoeten . . . . .	16	Karsten Norman in money . . . . .
19	Eysbrant an gelt genoeten . . . . .	19	Isbrant in money . . . . .
20	An Mester Cornellis een hallif jaer gelt . . . . .	20	To Dr. Cornelis [Van Dyck] a half year's salary . . . . .
	ditto 2 kan brandie Jan Machgels genoet . . . . .		do 2 cans brandy to Jan Machielsen . . . . .
21	An Daennel Rinckhouet an broet die Houber Janse 22 broede . . . . .	21	To Daniel Rinckhout for bread for Hubert Jansen 22 loaves . . . . .
	Jan Machgils 19 broed en 11 wiet broed . . . . .		Jan Machielsen 19 loaves bread and 11 do white bread . . . . .
27	Eysbrant Elbers an gelt genoeten . . . . .	27	Isbrant Elbersen in money . . . . .
27	Jochgon Wess, 2 broede tot het Herre ave . . . . .	27	Jochem Wessels [?] 2 loaves for the communion . . . . .
27	Barre Pieterse betael 4 plancke tote 2 doet kist Jan Machgils 1 Cornellis van de Boger . . . . .	27	Paid Barent Petersen for 4 boards for the coffins of Jan Machielsen and Cornelis van de Bogert . . . . .
27	An Kaste Smiet van 1 duym . . . . .	27	To Karsten Smiet [for a board] of 1 inch . . . . .
27	Wullem Brouer an gelt genoeten . . . . .	27	William Brouwer in money . . . . .
28	An juffrou Ebing 2 hemt vor een heft Cornellis van de Boger is daer me begraven Marte Post moet het hemt betalle en de 2 plancke tot de doet kist . . . . .	28	To Mrs. Ebing for 2 shrouds, one for the burial of Cornelis van de Bogert at our expense. Marte Post to pay for the shroud and the 2 boards for the coffin . . . . .
29	Kaste Norman an gelt genoeten . . . . .	29	Karsten Norman in money . . . . .

29 Van 74 gul. en 7 st. ryck lon	3 14	421 8	29 For interest on 74 guilders 7 stivers	3 14
				421 8
<i>1665 Ontfanst der Deyaconie in Augustus.</i>				
1 Van Elmer Aetonen ontfangen tot almis	6		1 From Elmer Aetones for the poor	6
2 Sondach inde kerck ver sammel	48 5		2 Collected in the church on Sunday	48 5
5 Wonsdach inde kerck ver sammel	9 7		5 Collected in the church on Wednesday	9 7
9 Sondach inde kerck ver sammel	32 4		9 Collected in the church on Sunday	32 4
9 Gerret Verbeek het groot doet klet	10 10		9 Gerret Verbeek for the great pall	10 10
12 Wonsdach inde kerck ver sammel	10 7		12 Collected in the church on Wednesday	10 7
13 Kornelis Bogerdus het klyn doet klet	5		13 Cornelis Bogardus for the small pall	5
16 Sondach inde kerck ver sammel	33 10		16 Collected in the church on Sunday	33 10
19 Wonsdach inde kerck ver sammel	7 17		19 Collected in the church on Wednesday	7 17
19 Uyt de boet van Jan Rys 2 vrouwe hemden van het lind daet sey genoot			19 Out of the personal effects of Jan Rys 2 women's shirts of the linens he had received of the deacons	
23 Sondach inde kerck versammel	40 4		23 Collected in the church on Sunday	40 4
26 Wonsdach inde kerck ver sammel	10 4		26 Collected in the church on Wednesday	10 4
30 Sondach in de kerck ver sammel daer seyn 2 hemes.	81		30 Collected in the church on Sunday	81
		243 18	There are 2 shirts	243 18
<i>1665 Uyet guffie an de Behoeved in Augustus.</i>				
1 An Luyke Myers gelanok vor 60 el hose 3 gul. de el	180		1 To Lucas Myers for 60 ells Osnaburg linen at 3 gul. per ell	180
3 Eysbrant Elbers an gelt genoeten	6		3 Isbrant Elbersen in money	6
3 An Kasten Noerman 20 el linde			3 To Kasten Norman 20 ells linen	
3 An Wouter Elbers 3 vrachte tot armen huys	1 16		3 To Wouter Elbersen for drawing 3 loads to the poor-house	1 16
11 Eysbrant Elbers an gelt genoeten	9 16		do paid him for molasses for Basse Petersen	9 16
		6	11 Isbrant Elbersen in money	6

1665 <i>Uyt Gifte, [Continued.]</i>		1665 <i>Onfanst der Deyaconie in September.</i>	
dito	20 el hosebruck linde	6	Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .
11	Basse Pieters 20 el hosebruck linde	9	Wonsdach inde kerck versammel . . . . .
	dito 2 schepel may van bal . . . . .		dito stuck engel sulver gelt van 6 st
17	Eysbrant Elbers an gelt gedaen . . . . .	10	Gerret Slechtehors heft klyn doet klet . . . . .
17	Dommeny Schas an gelt gedaen tot daet hey syn	13	Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .
	gase ontfangen so sal hey verlangs . . . . .	18	From Jan Rollifs 1 bever vor daet roer (?) . . . . .
24	Basse Pieters an gelt genoeten . . . . .	19	Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .
24	Eysbrant an gelt genoeten . . . . .	20	Cornelus Corneluse het klyn doet klet . . . . .
31	Eysbrant Elbers an gelt genoeten . . . . .	23	Wonsdach inde kerck versammel . . . . .
	Uyt gifte van 60 el linde . . . . .	27	Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .
			1 bever, 1 stuoke sulver gelt van 6 st.
		388	191
		12	9
1665 <i>Uyt Gifte, [Continued.]</i>		1665 <i>Onfanst der Deyaconie in September.</i>	
dito	20 ells Osnaburg linen	6	Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .
11	Basse Pietersen 20 ells Osnaburg linen	9	Wonsdach inde kerck versammel . . . . .
	do 2 schepels of corn from Bal . . . . .		dito stuck engel sulver gelt van 6 st
17	Isbrant Elbersen in money . . . . .	10	Gerret Slechtehors heft klyn doet klet . . . . .
17	Domine Schaats in money . . . . .	13	Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .
	which he is to pay when he receives his salary	18	From Jan Rollifs 1 bever vor daet roer (?) . . . . .
24	Basse Pietersen in money . . . . .	19	Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .
24	Isbrant in money . . . . .	20	Cornelus Corneluse het klyn doet klet . . . . .
31	Isbrant Elbersen in money . . . . .	23	Wonsdach inde kerck versammel . . . . .
	Paid for 60 ells of linen . . . . .	27	Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .
			1 bever, 1 stuoke sulver gelt van 6 st.
		388	191
		12	9
1665 <i>Disbursements for August, continued.</i>		1665 <i>Receipts by the Deaconry in September, 1665.</i>	
do	20 ells Osnaburg linen	7	Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .
11	Basse Pietersen 20 ells Osnaburg linen	9	Collected in the church on Wednesday . . . . .
	do 2 schepels of corn from Bal . . . . .		do 1 piece of English silver coin of 6 stivers
17	Isbrant Elbersen in money . . . . .	10	Gerret Slechtenhorst for the use of the small pall
17	Domine Schaats in money . . . . .	13	Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .
	which he is to pay when he receives his salary	18	From Jan Roelofs 1 beaver skin for a gun
24	Basse Pietersen in money . . . . .	19	Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .
24	Isbrant in money . . . . .	20	Cornelus Cornelussen, for the small pall . . . . .
31	Isbrant Elbersen in money . . . . .	23	Collected in the church on Wednesday . . . . .
	Paid for 60 ells of linen . . . . .	27	Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .
			1 beaver skin, 1 piece silver coin of 6 stivers
		388	191
		12	9
1665 <i>Disbursements for the Poor in September, 1665.</i>		1665 <i>Uyt gift an de Behoeved in September.</i>	
3	Karsten Norman in money . . . . .	3	Karste Norman an gelt genoeten . . . . .
14	To Domine Schaats in money . . . . .	14	An Dommeni Schaet gelt gedaen . . . . .
	which he is to pay when he receives his salary		als sey seyn gase geniet sal verlange
		6	30
		30	



20 An Pieter Klarboet vor begraven vor de verdroncken Engelsman . . . . .	6	20 To Peter Klarboet for the burial of the drowned Englishman . . . . .	6
30 An Wullem Brouer gelanok an gelt 1 paer wiete kossen te pant gelanck om het gelt werderom te lange	8	30 To William Brouwer in money for which he pawned 1 pair of white stockings, until he should return the money	8
	50		50
<i>1665 Ontfanste dor Deyaconie in October.</i>			
2 Vrydach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	9 14	2 Collected in the church on Friday . . . . .	9 14
4 Sondach inde kerck versammel in here aven mal . . . . .	108 7	4 Collected in the church on Sunday, at the sacrament	108 7
7 Wonsdach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	2 13	7 Collected in the church on Wednesday . . . . .	2 13
11 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	35 5	11 Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .	35 5
18 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	34 16	18 Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .	34 16
26 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	35	26 Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .	35
	225 15		225 15
27 Krech Lenne Roebbers het kint van kasten Normans te min vor 35 gul. 's mans daet vor en jaer vast soe heb komt te sterve soe reckenne de mant daer in sterft		27 Lenne Roberts was engaged to nurse the child of Karsten Norman for 35 guilders a month, on condition that if the child died she should have pay for the whole month in which it might die.	
31 Krech Fiete Jans het ander kint soe als hier boven verhaelt op die selve die kondise en selve prys.		31 Fiete Jansen took the other child upon the same terms.	
<i>1665 Uyet gifte an de Behoevde in October..</i>			
4 An Andria Teller 4 kan roe wyn tot der herre ave mal 12		4 To Andries Teller for 4 cans red wine for the sacrament 12	
6 Van Geysber Klermacher vor 1 bever an linden 4 el vor de bever en is geve an Kasten Norman		6 From Geysber Klermacher a beaver in exchange for 4 ells of linen. It was given to Karsten Norman.	
17 An Jochgom Wessels het broet tot herre ave . . . . .	3	17 To Jochem Wessels for bread used at the sacrament 3	
20 Eysbrant Elibers 1 paer verrose kosse		20 Isbrant Elibersen 1 pair Friesland stockings	
20 Van 440 gul. en 14 st. ryck lon en an garrs . . . . .	25 12	20 Interest on 440 guilders 14 stivers and in barley	25 12

*Receipts for November continued.*

20 Purchased of Mr. Minder 26½ ells baize at 6 gild.	160
amounts to . . . . .	160
do 10 ells kersey for amount of 4 beavers in seawant	
To Philip Schuyler 25 gilders at 1 beaver . . . . .	100
22 Basse Petersen in money . . . . .	1 16
22 To Karsten Norman 4 lbs butter from David Schuyler . . . . .	7
do 3 lb. soap from Rycke Deret . . . . .	4 10
do 1½ lb cheese from Wouter Elbers . . . . .	3 15
do 3 lb. baize for 2 <i>kinder mand</i> * . . . . .	11 10
do 1 coffin, with nails . . . . .	3
do 2 boards for the coffin of Barent . . . . .	5
do 1 half vat small beer from Hermen . . . . .	16
do to Fiete Jansen for 8 days nursing the child . . . . .	18
do to Peter Klarbont for burying, inviting to the funeral and ringing the bell . . . . .	30
do to Lamber Van Valkenburg's wife for nursing in childbed . . . . .	10
do to Daniel Rinckhout for 1 coat for which he pawned 2 schepels of corn . . . . .	10
do to Teunis de Messelaer, 1 jacket, for which he pawned 2 schepels of corn . . . . .	7 2
do to Daniel Rinckhout 4 large loaves of bread and 6 of white bread, together . . . . .	428 5
Gave out ¼ ell baize, and 1 beaver . . . . .	23 18

*Receipts of the Deacony in November, 1655.*

1 Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .	23 18
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† This was a contribution connected with the wardrobe and parapsbarnalls of a nursing child, unknown here at the present day.

*Uyt gifte October continued.*

20 Van Mester Minder gekoft 26½ el baey el 6 gul.	160
belop . . . . .	160
dito 10 el korsacy vor 4 bever belop an sawant	
An Peylupes Schuyler 25 gul. tege 1 bever . . . . .	100
22 Basse Pieters genoeten an gelt . . . . .	1 16
22 An Kaste Norman 4 lb boeter van Davet Schuyler . . . . .	7
dito 3 lb sep van Rycke Deret . . . . .	4 10
dito 1½ lb keren van Wouter Albers . . . . .	3 15
dito ¼ el baey tot 2 kinder Montes . . . . .	11 10
dito 1 doet kist met speycker . . . . .	3
dito 2 plancke tot de kist van Barent . . . . .	5
dito 1 halvaet klyn bier van herrem . . . . .	16
dito an Fiete Jans van 8 dage van kint mine . . . . .	18
dito an Pieter Klarbont van begrave en ansprecke en kloek lyen . . . . .	30
dito an Lamber Van Valekeburich vrouw van kram bewarre . . . . .	10
dito an Dannel Rinckhouet vor 1 rock die daer ver set stoe vor 2 scheper maeyes . . . . .	10
dito tot Teunis de Messelaer 1 jack die daer ver set stoe vor 2 schepel myes . . . . .	7 2
dito tot Dannel Rinckhouet 4 gros broede en 6 wiet broede samen . . . . .	428 5
Uyt gifte ¼ el baey 1 bever uytgeve . . . . .	23 18

*1665 Ont fanste dor Deyuconie in November.*

1 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	23 18
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8	Sondach inde kerok versammel	27	18
15	Sondach inde kerok versammel	38	14
18	Wonsdach inde kerok versammel	2	
19	Van Cornelis Wynkop tot en almis	17	10
22	Sondach inde kerok versammel	36	4
25	Wonsdach inde kerok versammel	5	
29	Sondach inde kerok versammel	46	13
		197	12
	1665 <i>Uyet gifte an de Behoevd in November.</i>		
3	An Aerre de Vris sey vrou 4½ el baey		
4	An Basse Pieters 9 el baey		
6	20 schepels mayns an Nuyurrick gekoft het schepel vor 3 gul.	60	
	An Vrach en ker gelt	5	12
	An de Manhaetans van ker gelt		10
6	An Eysbrant Elbers 1 hert gedaen vor van Herme Vedder	20	
17	10 herte velles het stueck vor 6 gul.	60	
17	Van Vrach an Klas Lock	1	
17	An Lenne Robers vor 1 mant min gelt van Karste Normans kint	35	
19	An Fiete Jans een halve mant mine gelt van het kint	17	10
19	An Eysbrant Elbers gedaen 4½ el korssey dito 7½ el baey, dito 2 el ru linde, dito an knoeppen en garren sammen		
19	Basse Pieters genooten 2½ el baey dito ½ el ru linde	2	14
8	Collected in the church on Sunday		27 18
15	Collected in the church on Sunday		38 14
18	Collected in the church on Wednesday		2
19	From Cornelis Wynkoop for an alm		17 10
22	Collected in the church on Sunday		36 4
25	Collected in the church on Wednesday		5
29	Collected in the church on Sunday		46 13
		197	12
	<i>Disbursements for the Poor in November, 1665.</i>		
3	To Aaron de Vries's wife 4½ ells baize		
4	To Basse Petersen 9 ells baize		
6	20 schepels corn bought at New York at 3 guilders per schepel	60	
	Freight and cartage	5	12
	For cartage in New York		10
6	To Isbrant Elbersen 1 deer, had of Hermen Vedder	20	
17	10 deer skins at 6 guilders each	60	
17	Freight paid Klaas Lock	1	
17	To Lenne Roberts for 1 months nursing of Karsten Norman's child	35	
19	To Fiete Jansen a half month's wages for nursing the child	17	10
19	To Isbrant Elbersen 4½ ells kersey do 7½ ells baize, also 2 ells coarse linen, and buttons and thread, together		2 14
19	do 1 pair Friesland stockings Basse Petersen 2½ ells baize do ½ ell coarse linen		

1665 <i>Uyt Gefte, [Continued.]</i>		<i>Disbursements for November, continued.</i>	
dito 1½ doseyn knopen en garren . . . . .	2	do 1½ dozen buttons and thread . . . . .	2
24 An Aerre de Vries 2½ el baey . . . . .	4	24 To Aaron de Vries 2½ ells of baize . . . . .	4
dito an linde ½ el . . . . .		do ½ ell linen . . . . .	
dito 2 doseyn knopen en garren . . . . .	2	do 2 dozen buttons and thread . . . . .	2
24 An Jan Jans Blicher 25 caseyser . . . . .	1	24 To Jan Jansen Bleeker 25 pieces sheet iron . . . . .	1
24 Ick hebe groet schoft gewerck an het armen . . . . .		24 I have done about a third of a day's work on the . . . . .	
huys . . . . .	3	alms house . . . . .	3
dito de 7 My ½ dach an het huys . . . . .	5	do on the 7th May ½ days work on the [alms] house . . . . .	5
dito an speycker . . . . .	2	do for nails . . . . .	2
dito de 7 Juni 1½ dach an het ker hof . . . . .	12	do 7th June 1½ days on the church yard, when . . . . .	12
an de heynni die omgwaest was . . . . .	10	the fence was blown down. . . . .	10
Uyt gifte van baey 26 el . . . . .		Given out 26 ells baize. . . . .	
dito 4½ el kersaey . . . . .	230	do 4½ ells kersey . . . . .	230
dito ru linde 3 el . . . . .	14	do 3 ells coarse linen. . . . .	14
1665 <i>Onfanste dor Deyaconie in December.</i>		<i>Receipts by the Deaconry in December, 1665.</i>	
2 Wonsdach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	7	2 Collected in the church on Wednesday . . . . .	7
3 Jan Frans van Housom het groete doet klet . . . . .	10	3 Jan Frans van Housom for the use of the great pall . . . . .	10
6 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	34	6 Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .	34
9 Wonsdach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	8	8 Collected in the church on Wednesday . . . . .	8
13 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	34	13 Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .	34
16 Wonsdach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	5	16 Collected in the church on Wednesday . . . . .	5
20 Sondach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	41	20 Collected in the church on Sunday . . . . .	41
22 Tot Marseli Jans in de bos bevonde . . . . .	4	Marselis Janssen, found in the box . . . . .	4
dito Anttoni Jans . . . . .	4	Anttoni Janssen . . . . .	4
dito Jan Basteyans . . . . .	18	Jan Bastiaensen . . . . .	18
dito Myrner Renselaer . . . . .	8	Mr. Van Rensselaer . . . . .	8
dito Jurein Teunisiz . . . . .	7	George Teunissen . . . . .	7
dito Gosse Gersz . . . . .	10	Gosen Gerritsen (?) . . . . .	10

25 Koodach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	42	1	Collected in the church on Christmas day . . . . .	42	1
2 Koodach inde kerck versammel . . . . .	23	12	do do do 2d do . . . . .	23	12
27 Sondach inde kerck en het herre ave mal gehouwe wir is versammel . . . . .	123	14	27 Collected in the church on Sunday at the communion . . . . .	123	14
ditto en engel stuck sulver gelt van st. . . . .			also an English silver piece of the value of a stiver . . . . .		
29 Van Kaste Norman genoeten . . . . .	3		29 Received from Karsten Norman . . . . .	3	
31 Van Jan Verbeck genoete . . . . .	55	6	do do Jan Verbeck . . . . .	55	6
Van Wynnant Gers 2 ruben . . . . .	3		do do Wynnant Gerritsen (?) 2 rafters . . . . .	3	
	443	3		443	3
<i>1665 Uyet gifte an de Behovde in Desember.</i>					
4 Fiete Jans een halve mant minne . . . . .	17	10	<i>Disbursements for the Poor in December, 1665.</i>		
10 An Kaste hout haker 1½ dach van gaete graven an kerck hoft an de heynnig . . . . .	8	15	4 Fiete Jansen for a half month's nursing . . . . .	17	10
15 An Frans het kint van Welde 1 deoken tot Gerret Bancker . . . . .	34		10 To Karsten for wood cutting 1½ days, and digging post holes for the church yard fence . . . . .	8	15
ditto 1½ el duffels tot Jakob Schermerhorren . . . . .	17	10	15 To Frans the chiide of Welde, 1 blanket at Gerret Bancker's . . . . .	34	
ditto 2 paer verrose kossen . . . . .			do 1½ ells duffels at Jacob Schermerhorn's . . . . .	17	10
ditto 2 linne lyer van Kaste Norman gekomme is . . . . .			do 2 pairs Friesland stockings . . . . .		
ditto 12 el hosse bruck linde . . . . .			do 2 linen diapers from Karsten Norman . . . . .		
15 An het Jongete tot Jan Toms wont van Kaste Norman 1½ el kerssey tot Gaberhel . . . . .	12		do 12 ells Osnaburg linen . . . . .		
tot en hemrock an knopen en garren . . . . .	1	18	15 To the small boy of Jan Toms, living with Karsten Norman, 1½ ells kersey, had of Gabriel . . . . .	12	
ditto ½ el ru linde . . . . .			For a waistcoat, buttons and thread . . . . .	1	18
ditto 1 paer kossen tot Andris Teller . . . . .	6		do ½ ell coarse linen . . . . .		
ditto 1 paer schonne tot Ruetes . . . . .	10		do 1 pair stockings at Andries Teller's . . . . .	6	
ditto 2 herte velle tot een broock . . . . .			do 1 pair shoes at Ruetes's . . . . .	10	
ditto 1 hemt van Jan Rysen . . . . .			do 2 deer skins for a pair of breeches . . . . .		
ditto de suster tot Dirrick Wessel wont 1 hemt van Jan Rys . . . . .			do 1 shirt from Jan Rysen . . . . .		
			do boy's sister living with Dirck Wessels 1 shirt from Jan Rysen . . . . .		

1665 <i>Uyet Gifte. [Continued.]</i>		<i>Disbursements, continued.</i>	
16	Aerre de Vrist 1 paer schonne tot Ruetes . . . . .	16	Aaron de Vries 1 pair shoes at Ruites's . . . . .
16	An Basse Pieters an gelt gedaen . . . . .	16	To Basse Petersen in money . . . . .
24	Van Gaeberhel 8 kanne seck 3 gul. de kan tot herren aven mal te gebruike . . . . .	24	From Gabriel 8 cans of sack for the sacramental use . . . . .
24	An Lenne Roebers een mant minne . . . . .	24	To Lenne Roebersen a month's nursing . . . . .
26	An Jan Machgulse an gelt gedaen . . . . .	35	To Jan Machielsen in money . . . . .
28	Aen Huyber Jans 1 oue kinder decken en 2 linde luyer van Kaste Norman gekomme . . . . .	6	To Hubert Jansen 1 old child's blanket and 2 linen diapers from Karsten Norman . . . . .
	dito $\frac{1}{2}$ el duffels daer de kerck me gevyft is doen de schon maect . . . . .		do $\frac{1}{2}$ ells duffels for files used in cleaning the church . . . . .
29	An Fiet Jans een mant minne gelt . . . . .	35	To Fieto Jansen a month's nurse wages . . . . .
29	An Mester Pieter vor begraven vande Engelsman . . . . .	8	To Mr. Peter for burying an Englishman . . . . .
29	Mester Cornelis van Dyck vor halve jaer gelt . . . . .	200	To Dr. Cornelis Van Dyck for a half year's salary . . . . .
	dito van Mester Ion van ker waet . . . . .		do half a year's attendance on Kerwaet . . . . .
29	An huyber Janse 1 decken gelent van Gerret Bancker gekoift vor . . . . .	35	To loaned to Hubert Jansen 1 blanket, purchased of Gerrit Banker for . . . . .
29	An Tuneys Steboe gelanck vor afroepen toen Karste Normans vroue rock verkoft . . . . .	2	paid Tennis Steboe as public cryer . . . . .
31	An Jans Pervost van een kopy van Jan Mguls Jochem Baeker vor het broet des herren . . . . .	2 10	Sold to Karsten Norman's wife a petticoat . . . . .
	An Jackop Schersor vor 4 lb boter die Huyler Janse genoeten heft . . . . .	3	To Jan Provoost for a cup from Jan Machielsen . . . . .
	Aen Scherluy gelanck vor 3 scopeyen en een kontract van de kinder kaste Norman . . . . .	7	Jochem Baeker for bread for the communion service . . . . .
	An Jan Verbeck van aerbeyt lon . . . . .	13 10	To Jacob Schersor for 4 lb butter which Hubert Jansen has received . . . . .
	An Wynnan Hert vor 2 ruben tot het armen huys . . . . .	55 6	To Scherleyn paid for three copies and an agreement for the children of Karsten Norman . . . . .
		3	To Jan Verbeck for wages . . . . .
		3	To Wynant Hart for 2 rafters for the poor house . . . . .
		556 15	556 15

<i>Ontfangen dor die Jacksoni 1665.</i>		<i>Receipts by the Deacons in 1665.</i>	
Januar	Onfan 16 obelgase en sewant	Jan.	Received 16 bonds in seawant
	dito an sulver gelt 4 gul. 12 st.		do in specie 4 guilders 12 stivers
	dito 51 el flams linde		do 51 ells Flemish linen
	dito 9 paer vrrose kosse		do 9 pairs Friesland stockings
Feberaer	Ontfange . . . . .	Feb.	Received . . . . .
Mertus	Ontfange . . . . .	March	Received . . . . .
April	Ontfange . . . . .	April	Received . . . . .
Myus	Ontfange . . . . .	May	Received . . . . .
Junius	Ontfange . . . . .	June	Received . . . . .
Julius	Ontfange . . . . .	July	Received . . . . .
Augustus	Ontfange . . . . .	Aug.	Received . . . . .
Septem	Ontfange . . . . .	Sept.	Received . . . . .
October	Ontfange . . . . .	Oct.	Received . . . . .
Novemb.	Ontfange . . . . .	Nov.	Received . . . . .
Desembe	Ontfang . . . . .	Dec.	Received . . . . .
dito	een klyn stuck engel gelt		do one small piece of English money
dito	een dubel stuyver		do one double stiver
dito	een stuck engel gel		do one piece of English money.
			6338 5
Januar	Uyt geyfte . . . . .	Januar	Disbursed . . . . .
Feber	Uytgefte . . . . .	February	do . . . . .
Mertus	Uytgefte . . . . .	March	do . . . . .
April	Uytgefte . . . . .	April	do . . . . .
Myus	Uytgefte . . . . .	May	do . . . . .
Junus	Uytgefte . . . . .	June	do . . . . .
Julius	Uytgefte . . . . .	July	do . . . . .
August	Uytgefte . . . . .	August	do . . . . .
			6338 5

*Ontfangen dor die Jacksoni 1665.*

*Receipts by the Deacons in 1665.*

*Uyt geyfte an de Behofde 1665.*

*Disbursements for the Poor, 1665.*

1665 Uyt Gifte, [Continued.]		Disbursements, &c. Continued.	
Septem	Uytgifte . . . . .	September	Disbursed . . . . .
October	Uytgifte . . . . .	October	do . . . . .
Novem	Uytgifte . . . . .	November	do . . . . .
Decem	Uytgifte . . . . .	December	do . . . . .
	54 elle flam linde		54 ells Flemish linen
	4 verros kose		4 pairs Friesland stockings
	dito 16 obelgases		16 bonds . . . . .
	dito an geergun sewant		In string seawant . . . . .
	dito an uyt schoet		In refuse . . . . .
	An sulver gelt 4 12		In specie 4 gilders 12 stivers.
			3824 16
			2829
			43
			73
			556 15
			428 5
			50
	[sic] 6154 16		553
			8
			158 15
			6269 16
			158 15

## Inventory.

Daer staet behalve de obelgases die van diet  
 Jaer bey gemacht is . . . . . 553  
 die vor in bak stae  
 den rest van Wulle Brouer . . . . . 8  
 dae is 1 paer wiety kosse te pant  
 dito 20 skeepel maey  
 dito 5½ el corsaey  
 dito 9¼ el hoese brug linde  
 dito 8 herte velle  
 dito 5 paer verrose kos  
 dito 1 hemt  
 dito Antonnie Jans debet van een rock  
       en een jack van Kaste Normans sey vrou salge  
 dito de kas is burch vor Franze Bryn vor  
 100 planeke tot Andries Teller, soe  
 sey niet en betal soe moet uyet de kas  
 betal sey

158 15

There are new obligations taken this year to  
 the amount of . . . . . 553

The balance from William Brouwer  
 1 pair of white stockings in pawn . . . . . 8  
 20 skeepels of corn  
 5½ ells kersey  
 9¼ ells Osnaburg linen  
 8 deer skins  
 5 pairs Friesland stockings  
 1 shirt

Anthony Jansen debet for a coat and a petticoat 158 15  
 from Karsten Norman's wife, deceased.  
 The treasury is security for Frans Bruyn for  
 100 planks to Andries Teller. If he  
 fails to pay, it must be paid out of the  
 treasury.



1666	Op den 1 sten January heeft syn rekeningen	
	gedaen Stoffel Jansen van het verleden Jaer	2773 14
	1655 een blijft aen obligatien	73
	en aen quadt zeewant	43
	aen goet zeewant	4 12
	aen silver gelt	
	Zey be danken Heere Stoffel Jansen wy on-	
	dersch Kerchenraden van Nieuw Albanien	
	van zyne goeden dienst	
	Gideon Schaets	
	Predikant van Nieuw Albanie.	
	15 st. 16 pen.	
	Noog aen silvegelt	
	Abram Staus	
	Philip Pietersen Schuyler	
	Jacob Schermerhoeren	
	Noog 719 gulder	
	aen verschooten	
	gelt t ontfangen	

1666	On this 1st of January Stoffel Jansen [Abeel] has	
	rendered his account for the past year, 1665,	2773 14
	showing that there remains in obligations	73
	and in bad seawant	43
	in good seawant	4 12
	in specie	
	We the undersigned consistory of the church of	
	in New Albany render thanks to Mr. Stoffel	
	Jansen [Abeel] for his good service.	
	Gideon Schaets,	
	Pastor in N. Albany.	
	Abraham Staats,	
	Philip Pietersen Schuyler,	
	Jacob Schermerhorn.	

ERRATA.

Since the foregoing pages were printed, the following errors has been discovered:

Page 2, lines 12 and 23 from top, for 1656 read 1653.

Page 5, line 3, should read To small beer at Uncle Peter's.

Page 5, line 5, *Arond* I find in Wernhuck's Dictionary translated *Arnold*. Occurs often.

Page 5, lines 11, and 16, Basse Pieters (not Pieter) may have been a superintendant in the almshouse, or something higher in social position than his fellow inmates, and therefore called *Bass*, our *boss*, or *mauter*. It occurs often.

Page 10, line 13, for *Pelppen* read *Phlippus*.

Page 10, line 6, for read *from*.

Page 10, line 17, for *Hendersen* read *Hendricksen*.

Page 13, line 5, from bottom, for *Stundam* read *Steendam*.

Page 14, line 2, for *course* read *unbeached*. This occurs elsewhere.

Page 14, line 6, for *to* read *from* Rlackhout.

Page 14, line 12, omit *to*.

Page 14, line 25, read To Karsten Smit for a hingepin.

Page 14, 3d line from bottom, for *the* shroud, read *one*.

Page 17, line 13, read Lenne Roberts took the child of Karsten Norman to nurse for one year at 35*g*. a month; if the child die she shall have, &c.

Page 18, line 1, for *Receipts* read *Disbursements*.

Page 18, line 8, for *Dereel* quere *Dierksen*.

Page 18, line 9, for *Elbers* read *Dierksen*.

Page 18, line 10, for *30*g**, read *3*ell**, for *Kinder mand*, read *baby baskets*.

Page 18, line 19, read 1 petty coat which stood in pawn for 2 schepels of corn.

Page 18, line 20, read 1 gown which stood in pawn, &c.

Page 21, line 5, a *sister* — the value is unknown.

Page 21, line 19, read boy of Karsten Norman living with Jan Toms.

Page 22, line 6, for *Robersen* read *Roberts*.

Page 22, line 18, Paid Tennis Sicboe as auctioneer at the sale of Karsten Norman's wife's petticoat.

Page 22, line 20, for *copy* read *copy*.

Page 24, line 18, read These are exclusive of the bonds taken this year.

Page 24, line 23, read Anthony Jansen debet for a petticoat and gown of Karsten Norman's wife of blessed memory.

Page 24, line 24, for *Frans* read *Frances*.

Page 24, line 25, for *he* read *she*.

1666.

The Records were kept this year by Jacob Schermerhooren. His orthography is somewhat different from that of his predecessor. He writes *Sondaegh*, or *Woensdaegh in de kerck versamelt*.

*January.* The receipts were 340 guilders, 17 stivers. Collections were taken up on five Sundays. The names of Symen de Backer and Pieter Bronck are mentioned. The disbursements were 188*g.* 17*st.* A barrel of venison cost 60 guilders, and a pound of cotton 35 stivers.

*February.* Receipts 146:11. Jan Pruyt had the small pall. Expenses 164:15. Gerret Banker was paid 34*g.* for a blanket, which was loaned to Zacharias for a year. Hans Dreper was paid 9:6 for 1½ ells blue linen for children's aprons (*schorteldoekjes*). Lowys 1:4 for a bag (*sytasy*) for Sweer. 10*g.* for a bunch of hooks and eyes (*rist haaken en oogen*) for children's jackets (*borsrockjes*) a sort of under vest not worn now. Hendrick Cuyler (*Kuiler*) 15*g.* for making children's clothes.

*March.* Receipts 203:10. Wynant Gerritsen had the small pall. Tunis Jacobsen paid 3*g.* rent for the attic of the church (*huer van de solder van de kerck*). 5:12 was received from the Captain's corporalship (*capteins corperacels schap*). Expenses 101:19. 20*g.* was paid Cornelis Cornelisen for drawing 4 loads of firewood for Jan Hargas. Some wounded Frenchmen were twice served with venison.

*April.* Receipts 272:7. From Jan Timmer 14*g.*, and from Martin Hees, laborer (*schoefsters*), 10*g.* for the large pall. Expenses 88:15. Peter Bogardus was paid 8:15 for 25 panes of glass for the almshouse. Baesye Pieters, Huisbert Jansen and Weelden's child Frans were recipients of wheat and corn.

*May.* Collections in the church on five Sundays 196:19, and a small silver coin. Expenses 108:10. Claes Van Rotterdam was paid 4*g.* for 27 tiles for the poor house, and Jochem the baker 3*g.* for bread used at the sacrament.

*June.* Receipts 268:4. On ascension day (*hemel vaerts dagh*) 15:6; from the sheriff for the fine of Cobus the runner (*looper*) 33:7; from Long Mary for the large pall 10*g.*, and from Jacob Flodder for the small pall 5*g.* Expenses 141:10. A French prisoner received a coat and blanket, 36*g.* Pieter the chorister received 12*g.* for inviting to the funeral and digging the grave of Hubert Jansen's child.

*July.* Receipts 380:1. Heman Bogardus and Andries de Noorman each paid for the large pall. Peter Jacobsen paid 31*g.* postage on letters received from Holland. Daniel Passer paid 100*g.* towards the expenses incurred for him during his sickness, and mortgaged his house at Schenectady for the remainder. Expenses 472:10. Dr. Cornelius Van Dyck was paid 100*g.* for a year's salary as physician to the almshouse, and 120*g.* for curing (*genesen*) Uldrick. An anker of Spanish wine for the communion cost 108*g.*

*August.* Receipts on five Sundays 172:6. Expenses 85:7. Margery Deckers was paid 15*g.* for 3¼ ells blue linen for aprons and wrappers (*schorteldoekjes en luyers*) for Karsten de Norman's children. These were neither pinning blankets, nor diapers, nor *clouts*, but a sort of swaddling clothes not now in use in this country. They were usually made of flannel.





THE SCHUYLER WINDOW PANE.

From the Dutch Church of 1656.

Copied from the original in the possession of the Family.

*Vert* a falcon *sable*, hooded, breasted, beaked and membered *or*, perched upon the dexter hand of the falconer, issuing from the sinister side of the shield.—The arm clothed *or*.—Surmounted by a helmet of steel standing in profile open-faced, and a gardevisure of five bars *or*, bordered and flowered of the same, and ornamented with its lambrequins *or* lined *vert*.—CREST a falcon of the shield on a mount *vert*.

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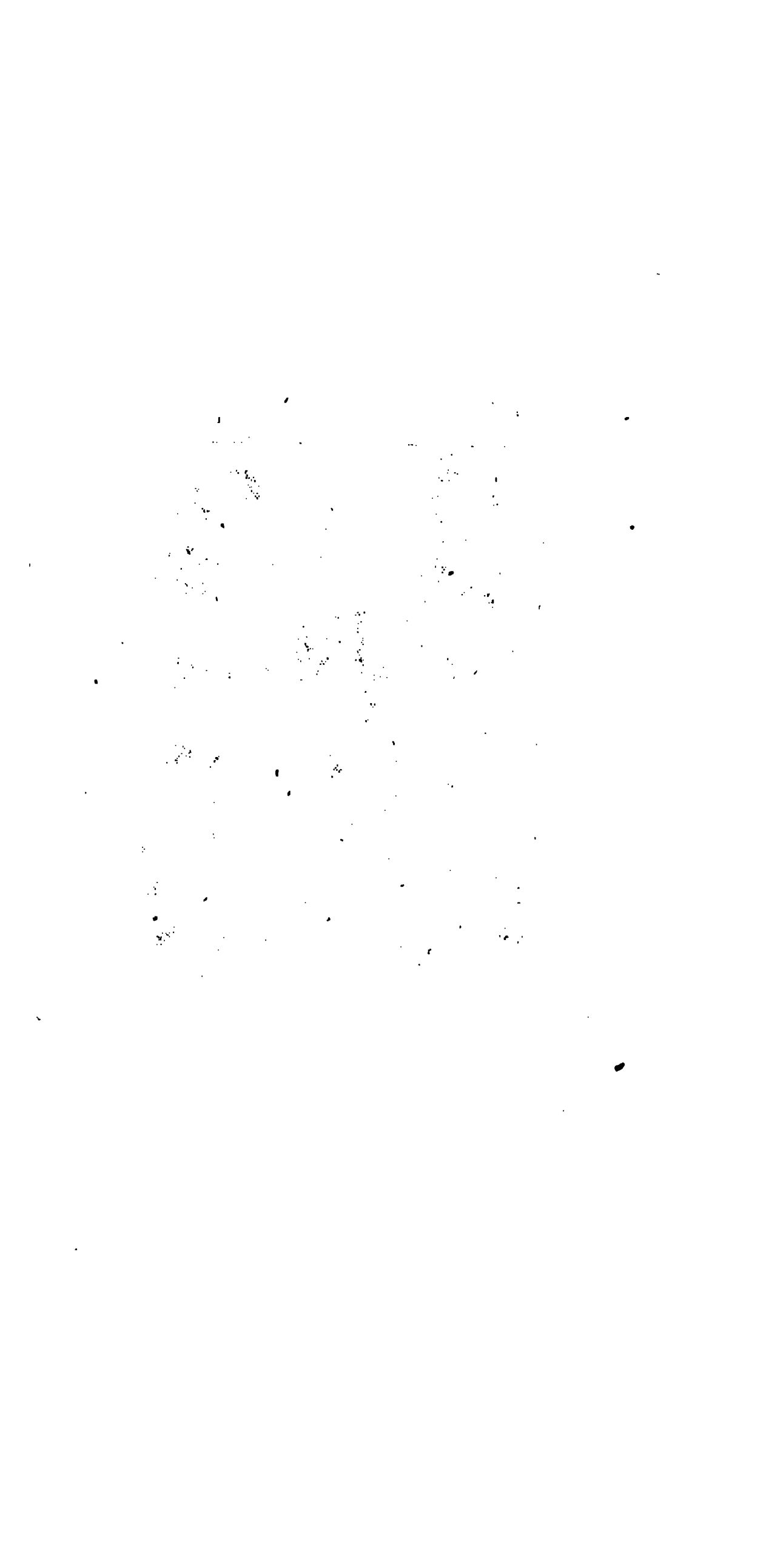
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*September.* Receipts 304, of which Antony Janssen paid in 158:15. Expenses 322:5. Laval was paid 150*g.* for 39½ ells linen, and 1½ ells of *cosynties* were bought at 18*g.* per ell. This was a kind of stuff for children's night caps, which were made with capes to them, requiring about half an ell each. A blanket worth 36*g.* was given to Pieter Claessen, a sailor in the employ of Gerrit Wisbeecken Hendrick, who had been imprisoned in England.

*October.* Receipts 337:15, a part of which was three beavers bought of Tryn Claes at 26*g.* each in seawant. The unusual sum of 105:7 was received at the Sunday collections on the 3d. Expenses 177:4.

*November.* Receipts 142:14, on four Sundays. Among the expenses are 13 ells of white baize bought of Mr. Laval with the three beaver skins had of Tryn Claes, 78*g.* A German named Dirck Onval, who had been imprisoned by the English, had a blanket, 38*g.* Total expenses 235:12.

*December.* Receipts 273:11. Expenses 678:3. Adryan de Vries was given three ells red baize (*roode baey*) 24*g.* Hendrik Cuyler was paid 40*g.* for making up clothes for the children of Frans Coninck, among which was *een aperock* (monkey-jacket?) and *een borstrockyen*. Uldrick Klein had 2 pairs of shoes 20*g.* Poulis Turcksen 7 ells red baize @ 7 guilders per ell.

The total receipts of the year were 3081:6; the expenses 2765:7. There was 256:3 cash in the treasury, and 3299*g.* was invested. The annual audit of the account was signed by Gideon Schaets, pastor loci; Philip Pietersen Schuyler, Jan Verbeek, elders; J. Provoost, Jan Vinhaegen, deacons.

1667.

The accounts for this year were kept by Jan Provoost, and are the best specimen of writing in the book. He writes, *Sondagh inde kerck versamelt*, which is an improved orthography. His predecessor turned over to him individual obligations to the amount of 3299 guilders, and 256*g.* 3*st.* in seawant; quite a respectable poor fund for that day, or this.

*January.* The receipts were 256*g.* 3*st.* Herman of Schenectady paid 5*g.* for the small pall. The expenses were 192*g.* 18*st.* 4*p.* The recipients of alms were Johannes Dyckman, Uldrick Kleyn, Zacharias Sickels, Isbrant, Baesie Pieters, Adrian de Vries and Weelden's child. Two pounds of butter sold for 3*g.* 6*st.*

*February.* Receipts 194*g.* 97*st.*; of which 10*g.* was for the use of the pall at the burial of Uncle John (Jan Oom). Expenses 164:1½. The recipients of charity were Jan Claessen, Weyntie wife of Poulyn, Isbrant, Carsten de Norman's children, and Claes Vandenberg.

*March.* Receipts 174*g.* 13*st.* Expenses 303*g.* 9*st.* The names of Baesjen Pieters, Frans Koningh, and Jan Machielsen, appear in this month as receivers of alms. Guert Hendricksen's wife and Claes Vylspiegel received each 64*g.* for two months' subsistence of Carsten de Noorman's two children.

*April.* Receipts 312*g.* 7*st.* Easter occurred on the 10th, when 114*g.* 10*st.* was collected in the church. Cornelius Segersen paid 10*g.* for the use of the pall at the burial of his wife. Expenses 364*g.* Dr. Van Dyck is again paid for curing Uldrick Kleyn, 80*g.* Tys Servaes's wife had 28*g.* with which to purchase seed peas.

*May.* Receipts 233*g.* 9*st.* Expenses 446*g.* 16*st.* A loaf of bread cost

1*g.* 5*st.* and a skepel of wheat 7*g.* 10*st.* Baestie Pieters and John de Brouster were paid 27*g.* for cleaning the church, at 4*g.* 10*st.* per day. A broom cost 12 stivers. Dr. Van Dyck was paid 200*g.* for a year's salary and dressing the wounds of the poor.

*June.* Receipts 189*g.* On the 8th at the celebration of the king's coronation 8*g.* 10*st.* were collected. Expenses 166*g.* 14*st.* Peter Claerbout's wife was paid 10*g.* for scouring the chandelier in the church.

*July.* Receipts 225*g.* 18*st.* On sacrament day, 128*g.* was collected. Expenses 230*g.* Gerret Slechtenhorst sold the deacons 10 schepels of wheat for 70*g.*

*August.* Receipts 154*g.* 17*st.* Expenses 117*g.* 8*st.* Jan Michaelsen is represented as being disabled (*gebreckelyck*), and therefore a subject for alms.

*September.* Receipts 171*g.* 9*st.* Expenses 56*g.* Jan Lavatic was paid 12*g.* for eight days maintenance of Jan Michaelsen, he being sick.

*October.* Receipts 240*g.* 12*st.* Juffrou de Haes contributed 6*g.* Expenses 284*g.* Johannis Dyckman was paid 5*g.* 10*st.* for two pounds of butter and two loaves of bread. The bread being 1:5, would leave 1:10 per lb. for butter. The name of Claes Janssen Stavast is mentioned.

*November.* Receipts 202*g.* Of this 50*g.* was paid in by Sheriff Swart as an atonement (*boeten*). The widow of Harmen de Metselaer paid 10*g.* for the use of the great pall. Expenses 98*g.* 3*st.* Peter Bout was paid 26*g.* 10*st.* for 10 loads of wood for the use of Hans Carelsen.

*December.* Receipts 279*g.* 16*st.* On Christmas 127*g.* was collected. Expenses 438*g.* 9*st.* Certain Frenchmen had been supplied with bread by Dom. Schaets, amounting to 7*g.*, which was paid out of the treasury. Jan Jansen Bleecker was paid 17*g.* for 4 cans French wine for the sacrament. Harman Rutgers was paid 17*g.* 10*st.* for beer furnished to Hans de Noorman.

The total receipts were 2710*g.* 8*st.* Total expenses 2811*g.* 18½*st.*

The customary certificate is signed by Gideon Schaets, pastor; Jan Verbeek, Gosen Gerretsen, past elders; Jan Vinhaegen, Jeremias Van Rensselaer, deacons.

The inventory of utensils for sacrament and other purposes were: 2 table cloths, 7 napkins, 1 silver cup, 3 earthen cans, 1 pewter can, 2 pewter basins, 2 palls (a large and a small one), 1 rug.

1668.

Jan Vinhaegen commences his entries with "*Laus Deo in Albany, Reekeninge der Dyakonye gehoudten aan myn J. Vinhaegen.*" They are made in a fair character, but quite different from the others. His orthography is much like that of Jan Provoost.

*January.* The receipts of the month by collections in the church were 267*g.* 6*st.* and 4 pieces of silver money, amount not stated. The expenses were 211*g.* 12*st.* The names of the poor who received charity were Frans Koning, Hans Caerels and Jerse's wife.

*February.* The receipts of the month by collections in the church were 275*g.* 10½*st.*, of which 70:7 were received on Wednesday the 8th, which was a day of thanksgiving for the peace. Barent Mynderse paid in 100*g.* for 50 boards; total 375*g.* 10½*st.* The whole amount of disburse-



ments was 252*g.* 4*st.* 2 pairs of children's shoes were 12*g.*, and a pair of men's shoes 17*g.*

*March.* Collected in the church 194*g.* 3*st.*; from Eldert Gerbers, which he had promised to the poor (*hy hadde een tyt geleeden beloft aen den armen*) 13*g.* 2½*st.*; from the widow of Jan van Eeken for the large pall 10*g.*; Hendrick Maesen for the small pall 5*g.*; Kornelus Kornelusen Verwy for the large pall at the burial of his wife 10*g.*; in all 232*g.* 5½*st.* The expenditures were 234*g.*

*April.* Collected in the church 332*g.*, of which 135*g.* 17*st.* was rec'd on paesdag, April 1; 111*g.* was as a fine (*boeten van Immeken*); and 1*g.* 9*st.* was taken from the poor box in the council chamber. Also a *Hollantse dubbelde stuyver* was taken up in the church, but as usual counts nothing in the footing, going probably to another fund, total, 444*g.* 9*st.* The expenditures were 502*g.* 18*st.* The old names of Jan Machielsen, Hans de Noorman, and Ysbrant again appear in this month's items.

*May.* Collected in the church 212*g.* 13*st.*, of which 9:5 was taken at the anniversary of the coronation of the king (Charles II), 3d May (*op Donderdagh synde die gedachtenisse van die kroonigh van seyn koonincklyke maesteyt van engellant*); Wyntie Adams paid 10*g.* for the use of the great pall at the burial of her husband; and the same amount was received for the same at the burial of Karsten Klaesen: total 232*g.* 13*st.* The expenditures were 252*g.* 4*st.* Among the items for church cleaning is 12*g.* to Pieter Klaerbout's wife for cleaning the chandelier (*van die kroon schoon te maken*).

*June.* Received by collections in the church 160*g.* 10*st.*; from the poor box 5:11; from different sources 69:16½; from the king's birth day collection (8th) 5:15; from Korneelus Woutersen 25*g.* which he acknowledged to be indebted to the poor for a long time. Total 260*g.* 17½*st.* The expenses were 340*g.* 2*st.*: Korneelus van Dyck has a half year's pay (*meesterloon*) for medical services at the poor house, 125*g.*; Helmer Gotten had 52*g.* for 2 bevers. The names of Baerent Pietersen, Volkert Pietersen, and Klaes Vandenbergh are mentioned.

*July.* Collected in the church 309*g.* 1*st.*; of which 130*g.* 14*st.* was taken on sacrament Sunday 15th, as well in the plates as in the sacks (*soo in die kommen als het sackien*); and on the day following there seems to have been a collection made about town in bever skins, &c. (*en becuers soo heelen en haluen en lappen, 36 stuckie met en otter*) amounting to 133*g.* 6*st.* Storm Elbers paid 4*g.* 18*st.* for the small pall; total 447*g.* 5*st.* The disbursements were 291*g.* 8*st.*

*August.* Collections in the church 132*g.* 5*st.*; from Wynant Gerretsen 30*g.*; from Jan Bruyn for the great pall 10*g.*; total 172*g.* 5*st.* Expenditures 228*g.* 1*st.*; of which 40:15 were for the burial of Willem Brouwer, and 5*g.* to his widow; nearly all the other expenses were for Hans and Karsten de Noorman.

*September.* Collections in the church 180*g.*; from Jan Rinckhout for the large and small pall 15*g.*; and taken from the box at Teunes the *bierdrager's*\* 2*g.* 7*st.*; total for the month, 197*g.* 7*st.* Expenditures 129*g.* 18*st.*; of which 96*g.* were to Gerret Jansen Stavast and Guert Hendricksen for the maintenance of Karsten de Noorman's children, and the remainder to Hans de Noorman.

\* A *bierdrager* is a person authorised by appointment to deliver beer in barrels to the purchasers, from the brewery.

*October.* Collected in the church 268*g.* 8*st.*, of which 60:10 was taken on a day of prayer in the church, 2d Oct., and 98:8 on the 7th, sacrament Sunday. Jeremias Van Rensselaer, who was one of the deacons this year, gave 30*g.* 15*st.*; total income of the month 290*g.* 3*st.* The expenses were 168*g.* 2*st.* Some of the old names reappear, Zacharias Sickels, Uldrick Kleyn, Aryaen de Vries, and Willem Brouwer's widow. Clothing forms a considerable portion of the expenses of the month.

*November.* Collected in the church 142*g.* 7*st.* Expended 286*g.* 6*st.*; of which 120*g.* was paid to Jochem Wessells, baker, for bread delivered to Hans de Noorman and Dyckman.

*December.* Collected in the church 168*g.* 18; and for a small beaver sold 25;\* total 193*g.* 18*st.* Expenses 158*g.* 10*st.*

*January, 1669.* The receipts on Christmas day are given under this date, and the whole amount is 233*g.* 14*st.* The expenditures are 500*g.* 14*st.*, the last date being the 8th, and embrace 160*g.* paid Dr. Van Dyck, and 50*g.* paid Dr. Jæcop voor het meester loon van Steyntie Klaes.

This was done to adjust the computation of time under the English dynasty, which was changed from the new to the old style, the 11th of January being reckoned the 1st.

The income of the year 1668 was 3653*g.* 12½*st.* The expenditures 3555*g.* 19½*st.* Seawant in the treasury 97*g.* 17*st.* Also in Holland specie 14*g.* 6*st.*, and 8½ ells of Pennestoy.

The customary certificate is signed by

Gideon Schaects, pastor in Nieuw Albanie.	
Jan Thomassen,	} alt
Teunis Cornelissen,	} ouderlingen
Jeremias Van Rensselaer, Diacken.	
J. Dehinsle,	do

1669.

The senior or distributing deacon for the year 1669, was Jeremias Van Rensselaer, who began his account thus:

Eere sy Godt jn Albanie en Colonie Rensselaers Wyck vervolge vande Ontfanck en Vitgeft der Diaconie vant 1669, gehouden door Jeremias Van Rensselaer. That is:

Honor be to God. Albany and Rensselaerwyck. Continuation of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Deacons for the year 1669; kept by Jeremias Van Rensselaer.

His phraseology differs somewhat from that of his predecessor. For instance, he says:

Sondagh voor en naer de middagh versamelt jn de kerek. Woensdagh s'avons jnde kerek versamelt.

*January.* The receipts for the month were 378*g.* 15*st.*, including 97*g.* 13*st.* in strung and loose seawant received from his predecessor; 21*g.* 10*s.* from Jan Pieter Loockermans, which was found in the poor box, being a piece of silver money; from Jan Kloet and Hendrick Coster as a fine 11*g.* 17*st.*; and 2 skipples of wheat (10*g.*) from the widow of Pieter Bronck for the pall; leaving 256*g.* 15*st.* as the monthly collection in the church. The expenditures were 173*g.* 14*st.*

\* Beaver skins are said to have been valued at about \$3, at this time. If a glider in seawant was 12½ cents, this will be in accordance with the current rate.

*February.* The receipts were 212*g.* 17*st.*, including 2 skipples of wheat at 10 gilders from Jan Janssen Flodden for the use of the pall at the burial of his wife. The disbursements were to the same persons as in the previous year, and amounted in this month to 227*g.* 8*st.* Candles for the use of the church cost 2 gilders a pound, and a half pint of brandywine for Claes Vanden Bergh cost 2 gilders.

*March.* Receipts 257*g.* 5*st.*; among which was 26*g.* 16*st.* for letters (*Hollants brieuen*) brought over by Pieter Van Alen. Capt. Backer paid 5*g.* for the small pall. Expenses 328*g.* 17*st.* Andries Feljer was paid 100*g.* in seawant in place of 4 bevers.

*April.* Receipts 278*g.* 1*st.* On the 11th, at Easter, 127*g.* 5*st.* was collected in the church. Jan Poutie, the sail maker, paid a fine of 12*g.* A piece of money, 3 stivers, was taken, and 1:15 was found in the poor box. 172*g.* 18*st.* was paid out. Lambert van Valkenburgh and Sacharyas Sickels received each 2½ gilders a day for work upon the almshouse fence, and Pieter Loockermans Jr., carpenter, 9 gilders a day, for the same. 15 lbs. of nails cost 22½ gilders. 20 gilders were paid for 4 cans of sack for the sacrament.

*May.* Receipts 277*g.* 7*st.* The widow of Jan Davet Sal<sup>e</sup> (?) paid 9*g.* 11*st.* for the use of the large pall. On the 29th was held the king's coronation and birthday. Expenses 32*g.*

*June.* Receipts 174*g.* 2*st.* Expenses 273. Jan Van Acken was paid 130*g.* for Spanish wine for the sacrament.

*July.* Receipts 275*g.* 16*st.* On the 18th, being sacrament Sunday, 126*g.* was taken up. Expenses 117*g.* 18*st.* For cleaning the church, to Baes Pieters for 5 days, Tiet Everts 6 days, Catryn Meesen 6 days, total 17 days @ 4½ gilders, 76*g.* 10*st.* Other expenses for cleaning the church amount to 13*g.* 18*st.*, of which 4:1 was paid to Pieter Loockermans for beer furnished to the cleaners.

*August.* Receipts 211*g.* 13*st.* The widow of Jan Davet Sal<sup>e</sup> paid 10*g.* for the pall again. Expenses 123*g.* Dr. Cornelis Van Dyck was paid 75*g.* for 3 months' salary as almshouse physician.

*September.* Receipts 139*g.* 7*st.* Expenses 19*g.*

*October.* Receipts 229*g.* Expenses 27*g.* 10*st.*

*November.* Receipts 145*g.* 17*st.* Collections were taken on three Sundays only, and none on other days. Expenses 24*g.* 10*st.*

*December.* Robbert Sanders paid 9*g.* 16*st.* for the pall at the burial of his mother; for Pieter Adriaenssen's mother 10*g.* was paid; also 10*g.* paid by Casper And<sup>e</sup> Berys for [an untraceable name]. Expenses 456*g.* 18*st.* Paid Theunis Spitsenbergh for boards and timber for the house of Domine Schaets; Claes Van Rotterdam for 8½ days work on the house @ 8*g.* a day, 68*g.*; Margriet Fredricks Meyt for 23 lbs. nails @ 1*g.* 10*st.* per lb. 34*g.* 10*st.*; Jan de Kuyper for 200 shingles for do. 8*g.*; Stoffel Janst for nails, 3*g.* 12*st.*; Pieter Quackenbos for 25 tiles for do. 3:15. Dr. C. Van Dyck was paid 150*g.* for half a year's salary as the deacon's surgeon. Paid Marretic Dreepers for stringing seawant 16 days, 32*g.* Total receipts 2999*g.* 12*st.* Disbursements 1986*g.* 12*st.*

He delivered over to his successor Jacob Dehinssle 1013*g.* in seawant, and the utensils and papers belonging to the church. His accounts are certified to by Dom. Schaets, pastor; Jan Thomassen, Teunis Cornelissen, and Gerrit van Slechtehorst, elders; J. Dehinssle and Macrten Gertsen [Van Bergen], deacons.

1670.

Deacon Dehinsle commences his entries in the book thus :

Eere sy Godt in Niew Albany.

Vervolgt vande Ontfanghts ende Vyt gift der Diacony van t yaer onse Salichmacker Jesus Christus geboorte 1670 : gehouden door Mester Jacobus Dehinsle.

That is :

Honor be to God in New Albany.

Continuation of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Deacons for the year of our Saviour Jesus Christ 1670; kept by Mr. Jacobus Dehinsle.

Mr. Dehinsle's orthography runs thus :

Op Nieuwe yaer dach versamelt in de kerck. Sondach versamelt voor en naer middach in de kerck.

His characters are very plain, and are English.

*January.* Collections were taken up in the church on 11 days during the month, amounting to 244*g.* 12*st.* Expenses 20*g.*

*February.* Receipts 218*g.* Joffrow Rynselaer bestowed 47*g.* 11*st.* upon the poor.\* Expenses 44*g.*

*March.* Receipts 181*g.* 3*st.* A trade was made with Philip Schuyler of seawant for beaver skins. Expenses 95*g.* 12*st.* They paid with a quantity of posts their share of the expenses of the burial of the tar burner.

*April.* Receipts 321*g.* 15*st.* Paaschdag produced 149:19. Dowe paid for the use of the pall; and Jan de Goyer paid a fine of 10*g.* Expenses 122*g.* 10*st.* Hendrik Rooseboom, *voorlezer*, received 32*g.* for setting the table, &c., during the year.

*May.* Receipts 255*g.* 16*st.* Sunday, 29th, was the king's birthday. Expenses 98*g.* 7*st.*

*June.* Receipts 164*g.* 14*st.* Expenses 42:10.

*July.* Receipts 346*g.* 18*st.* The collection on Sacrament Sunday, July 18, was 137*g.* 4*st.* An English shilling and a  $\frac{1}{2}$  piece of 8 (50 cts.) were taken in specie. Expenses 92*g.* 2*st.*

*August.* Receipts 178*g.* 14*st.*, on four Sundays. Expenses 37*g.*; of which 7*g.* was paid for rent of the blockhouse for Eletie Bronck and Claes Melt.

*September.* Receipts 137:7:14; of which 19:15:14 was from Lambert Bos. Expenses 146*g.* Dr. Van Dyck drew 75*g.*, half a year's salary as surgeon. The old set of paupers nearly all disappear this year; Johannes Dyckman and Hans Carle being all that appear for months.

*October.* Receipts 165*g.* 16*st.* on 5 Sundays. Expenses 10*g.*

*November.* Receipts 222*g.* 10*st.*; Jan Bronck gave 23:9 $\frac{1}{2}$  to the poor. An English shilling and a sixpence were received. Expenses 131*g.* 17*st.* Among the names that occur this month are Tys Barentsen, Jan Briker, Stephanus van Cortland, Stoffel Jansen Abel, Hendryc Coster. Mention is made of the old grave yard and new grave yard.

*December.* Receipts 296*g.* 1*st.* 57:2 was taken from the poor boxes by Goose Gerretsen, Storm Albertsen, Jorian Tuenisse, Lendert Philips, and Pitre Lokermans. Expenses 255*g.* 8*st.* An anker of small beer was

\* Her maiden name was Maria Van Cortlandt; born at Amsterdam, 1645; married Jeremias Van Rensselaer 1662; died 1689.

purchased of Haerman Gansevoort at 2*g.* 10*st.* for Timothée Salicker. The names of Philip Schuyler, Jan Verbeek, Paulus Jorghsen, Wye Benne, are mentioned. Receipts of the year, 3,746:7:6. Expenditures, 1,107*g.* Loaned to the commissaries, 661:13; 13 beavers bought of Philip Schuyler, 342:10; advanced to Tys. Barrentsen, 210*g.*; delivered over to his successor, 1,435:4:6; total, 3,746:7:6.

The account is certified by the pastor, Gideon Schaets, Teunis Cornelisz, Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, Stoffel Jans. Abeel, Maerten Gertsen, Cornelis Van Dyck, chirurgyn.

The articles delivered up to his successor, Marten Gerretsen Van Bergen, were as follows: In specie, estimated in Holland currency, 19*g.*; an anker of Spanish wine; a silver becker. [This becker is still preserved in the church, and has the date of 1660 engraved upon it]; three palls; two table cloths and seven napkins; two pewter basins; a large pewter can; an earthen can with a silver lid; two earthen cans; 1 ell of pinneston; certain obligations and accounts as stated in the book; two gold rings, and a pair neck ties [*stricken*] with pearl, valued at 160*g.* seawant, advanced upon an obligation given by William Jansen alias Neefie.

1671.

Deacon Martín Gerretsen Van Bergen\* begins his entries with the following:

*Ere sey Godt in Nieu Albanij veruolgt vande ontfanghts ende vijt gift der diaconij vant yaer onser heren ende saleigmacker iesus christus 1671, gehouden dor Marten Gertse van Barge.*

Brother Van Bergen's *hand write* is not after the best copperplate samples. His phraseology and orthography differ somewhat from his predecessors, thus: *Jan. 1. Noij iar des Sondaghs vor en nade meidag ende kerckevergadert. Des Wounsduges s'auons inde kercke ver geadert.*

*January.* Receipts 370:5 on ten Sundays and Wednesdays. Expenditures 140*g.* Robes Jansen was paid for boarding Teis Barenzen. *Bassei de neyer* at Poulein's for board. Hendrick Weillemsen † for wood furnished Yahanes Deickman. Jan brounek for house hire of Hans Karelsen.

*February.* Receipts 175:13 "in de mant veberwarei." Expenditures 201:4. A considerable portion of this was expended upon the burial of Bassie. Polein was paid 75*g.* for maintenance of Basse [Basghen]; 14*g.* for the shroud (*bus sack*); 12*g.* to Klas Van Rotterdam for making the coffin (*dot keist*); 1:16 to Stoffel Jansen for a pound of nails; 4:10 to Barent de Molenar for boards; 6:8 to Klas Treipsen for *brandewein*; 12*g.* to Renselaer for a half vat of beer; in all 125:14, which at 40 cts. to the guilder is \$50.28; but as these accounts are in the depreciated currency of seawant, at 12½ cts. to the guilder, the amount would be \$15.73.

*March.* Receipts 211:2, of which 3:10 was from Schout Schwart. Expenses 195:10.

*April.* Receipts 302:11, at 9 collections, that of paasdag being 117:9. Expenses 209*g.*

\* He was probably a Frieslander. A descendant of the same name was a noted sktpper of the last century, and was often addressed by his correspondents as *Martin Garrison* and *Captain Bergain*.

† He was a carman.

*May.* Receipts 166:10, at 5 collections. Expenditures 125.

*June.* Receipts 277:5. Two beavers were received from Poules Iurcksen, 48*g.* in seawant. Expenditures 263:10.

*July.* Receipts 340:3. Expenses 117:10.

*August.* Receipts 125:15 at 4 collections. Expenses 113*g.*

*September.* Collections 154:18 on 5 Sundays. Expenditures 130*g.*

*October.* Receipts 271:16. On the 3d (Wednesday) at the wedding of Stephen Kortlant 13:6 was collected in the church for the poor. On the 4th at the wedding party 15:19 was collected. On Thursday, the 11th, at the wedding of Marten Kregier 11*g.* was collected. On the 12th at the marriage feast (*breudloft*) 13*g.* Expenses 93*g.*

*November.* Collected in the church on four *Sondages* 112:12. Expended 40*g.* for *Johannes Deickmaen*, one month's board, and 40*g.* to Susanna the *husrvou* of *Mart. Hendereicksen* (sic), for a month's board of the child of Karsten de Noorman, probably in all 80*g.*

*December.* Receipts 466:4. An exchange was made with the commissaries (*de heren kommeisaresen*) for 21 beavers at 22 guilders each in seawant. Roseboom paid in 119*g.* for the use of the palls, on settlement of account with him.

Expenses 363:14. Dr. Van Dyck was paid a half year's salary 75*g.* Wouter \* de Backer was paid 14*g.* for baking the sacramental bread four times, and Roseboom received 24*g.* for spreading the tables (*tafel te decken*) 3 times; 5 beavers were paid for an anker of Spanish wine for the sacrament.

The receipts of the year were 2,974:14; the disbursements 2,031:8. Deacon Van Bergen delivered over to his successor, Dr. Van Dyck, 1,533:6 in seawant, and other effects to the amount of 845:4:8 (8 *penningen*). Also 28:17:8 in specie, which is never footed up with the other items.

The accounts were audited on the 2d of Jan. 1672, by the pastor, Gideon Schaets, Stoffel Janssen Abeel, Jacob Schermerhorn, Cornelius Van Dyck, and Pieter Bogardus.

1672.

Dr. Van Dyck opens his account thus :

*Eer sy godt In Albanij vervolght vande ontfanck endeuyt gift der diakonie vant jaer onser Heere 1672 door Mr. Cornelius Van Dyck.*

This book is written in a plain and handsome character, and the orthography uncommonly uniform and accurate. This is a specimen of his phraseology :

*Op Sondage voor ende nademiddach in de kerck versamelt. Woensdagh savons in de kerck vergadert. Op dinsdagh synde gedachtenis houdinge van de onge lückige doot van syn majesty versamelt voorde middagh in de kerck 12:14.*

*January.* Receipts 165:1. On Tuesday, 30th, a forenoon service was held in the church in memory of the king, Charles II, and a collection taken up of 12:14. Expenses for the month, 96*g.*

*February.* Receipts on four Sundays and four Wednesdays 149:3. Expenses 108:10. Jan Gouw was paid 16*g.* for 4 loads of wood.

*March.* Receipts on 5 Sundays and 4 Wednesdays 187:19. Expenses

\* Wouter Albertsen.

122:2 Anneke Schaets received 19:2 for Susanna. Neeltje, wife of Isbrant, was paid 25*g.* with which to purchase breadstuff [*broot koren*].

*April.* Receipts 244:14. There were no Wednesday collections this month; but on Friday, 5th, 10:10 were received at the preparatory service (*boet predecatie*), and 9*g.* for letters from Holland (*Hollantse brieven*.) Expenses 194:10. The recipients of alms this month were Johannes Dyckman, Jacob Aertsen, and Kartsen de Noorman (2 shirts 24*g.*). Pouwlyn was paid 45*g.* for 3 weeks board of Jacob Aertsen.

*May.* Receipts 158:19. Services were held on 4 Sundays, on Thursday 16th, ascension day, on pinxster Monday 27th, and on Wednesday 29th, the king's birthday and restoration. Expenses 247:14. There were transactions with Jan Verbeeck and Marten Cregier; 72*g.* were paid for cleaning the church.

*June.* Receipts on 5 Sundays 164:10. Expenses 188*g.* 24:6 was paid for 27 lbs. tobacco at 18 stivers a pound, for the use of Jacob Aertsen.

*July.* Receipts 211:18. Expenses 115*g.*

*August.* Collections on 4 Sundays 145:14. Expenses 133*g.* Cornelius Steenwyck was paid 56*g.* for 7 beavers, and a Jan Potter 12*g.* for the passage of a man, on the river probably.

*September.* Receipts 208:10, on 5 Sundays and a Friday morning. Expenses 93*g.* Mother Dyckman was paid 40*g.* towards the expenses of the burial of her husband (*haer man*) Johannes; 10*g.* was paid for 10 lbs. smoked pork.

*October.* Receipts 112*g.* on 4 Sundays. Expenses 61:10; of which 4:10 was paid for 3 dry boards for the chest of Jacob Aertsen. Ariaen Appel is a new candidate for alms.

*November.* Receipts 106*g.* on 4 Sundays. Expenses 229:10. Peter Jacobsen Marius was paid 5 beavers for an anker of Spanish wine which is carried out 100*g.* in seawant. A great deal is bestowed upon Ariaen Appel this month, he being the sole recipient of alms. It is observable that Dr. Van Dyck's salary is more punctually paid this year than ever before or since!

*December.* Receipts 278:14 on 5 Sundays, 1 Friday and 2 Christmas days (*kersdagh en tweede kersdagh*.) Expenses 60:10. Jufvrouw Schuyler was paid 1:10 for oil used in the chandelier of the church, the first mention of oil for that purpose. Receipts for the year 2,133:2. Expenses 1,649:6. Dr. Van Dyck delivered over to his successor 2,017:2 in seawant, and 32:½ in specie, Holland currency. The utensils of the church and other effects passed to his successor tally with the list given by his predecessors.

The customary certificate, dated the 1st January 1673, is signed by the pastor Gideon Schaets, Stoffel Jansen Abeel, Jacob Janssen Schermerhooren, Pieter Bogardus and Barent Reyndersen [*? rather obscure.*]

1673.

Deacon Bogardus begins his entries :

*Primo Januarij. Gelofft sij Godt. In Albanij vervolght vande ontfanck ende vijt gift der diakonie (van het Jaer onds Heeren en Salickmacker Jesu Christi) door Pieter Bogardus A' 1673.*

The account is kept in a very good hand, and much in the same way as that of his predecessor.

*January.* Receipts 180:5, mostly on Sundays and Wednesdays. Expenses 57:1; among which is 6*g.* to Maes the brazier (*coperslager*) for 2 candlesticks for the church.

*February.* Receipts 146:1 on Sundays and Wednesdays. Expenses 63:4; 4 lbs. English soap at 16 stivers a pound.

*March.* Receipts 285:15, on 12 occasions in the church. Expenses 63; 25*g.* was paid monthly to the Old Fox (*aen de oude Vos*) the same price that was paid for the board of Adriaen Appel.

*April.* Receipts 126:9. Expenses 141*g.* Several old names reappear this month; Malle Vries, Hans de Backer, Barent de Schoonmaker, Barent de Molenaar.

*May.* Receipts 148:18. Pinkster and the king's birthday were observed as usual. Expenses 161:1; a considerable portion of which was for cleaning the church.

*June.* Receipts 231:6, besides several silver pieces. Expenses 96:10.

*July.* Receipts of first half of the month in black seawant (*swaer getelt*) 50:3; and for the last half in white seawant (*licht getelt*) at 6 pieces to the stiver; 91:18; total 142:1 *met en vals stukje silver*, showing that bad coin was not unknown to the *ouders*, and that it found its way into the church treasury. Expenses 25*g.*

*August.* Receipts 188:2, and a quantity of specie. Expenses 70:2. The names of Steven Koninck and the oldest daughter of Marten the Brewer (*bierkoocker*) appear in this month.

*September.* Receipts 221:6. Expenses 101:10. The names of Gabriel Thomassen, Luykas Gerrits de Backer and Susanne Bierkocker appear.

*October.* Receipts 130:16, on Sundays only. Expenses 31:5.

*November.* Receipts 163:1. Expenses 44:10.

*December.* Receipts 253:6. Expenses 259:3. Total receipts in black wampum, 1,068:17; white do. 1,048:9; total, 2,117,6. Expenses, black wampum 606:16; white do. 501:10; total 1,108:6.

Deacon Bogardus delivered over to his successor 2,031:18 in black seawant, which seems now to have been kept in boxes instead of sacks. The whole sum transferred to Barent Reyndersen was 3,228:6 in seawant; and 43*g.* in specie, Holland currency, besides the securities taken by his predecessors, and sundry articles taken in pawn.

The integrity of his accounts are certified to by the pastor Gideon Schaets, Jacob Schermerhorn, Jeremias Van Rensselaer, Johannes Provoost, Barent Rydersen, and Dirk Wessels.

1674.

The accounts of Deacon Reyersen, as he signs his name, are written in a fairer character than his signature would seem to promise. He dates at *Wyllem Stat*, a name which first appears in this book in the handwriting of Dom. Schaets this year. He uses *ū* for *v*, and *ij* for *y*. Otherwise his orthography is as good as that of his brethren. He writes: *Op Sondagh uor en na miyddach ijn de kerck uersamelt.*

*Jan. 23. Op dijnisdach dat de Kommandūr getrouit ijs ijn de kerck uersamelt en op de brolft* 9:2. This item establishes the fact that the commander or general of the fort (?) was married on Tuesday, 23d Jan,



1674, in the church, and that at the wedding and nuptial feast, 9 gilders and 2 stivers were collected for the poor.

It is notorious that men did not always write their own names correctly at this time and place; it is therefore doubtful whether the writer's name was Reyersen or Reynderssen.

*January.* Receipts 203:18, collected on new year, on pray day (*bedagh*) on 4 Sundays, on 4 Wednesdays, and from the widow of Peter Van Allen, for the use of the great pall. Expenses 244:7. Hans de Backer seems to have died this month, from an item for a *doot klet* given to his *vrouw*, and in the next she is mentioned as his widow, and there is an anker of good beer bestowed, an indispensable item at the funeral of a pauper.

*February.* Receipts 182:15. There was another *biddag* in this month, on Wednesday the 7th. Expenses 102*g*.

*March.* Receipts 253:1. Wednesday the 7th, was another day of prayer. Expenses 272:5. The pauper Vries, who in the previous month was indulged with a half vat of beer, is here termed the foolish (*mal*) Vries.

*April.* Receipts 185:3. Another day of prayer on the 4th. Expenses 111*g*. Hubert and Lysbet Jans appear as the recipients of the deacon's bounty, but it does not appear whether as charity for themselves or for others.

*May.* Receipts 196:9. Pray day on the 1st. Expenses 192:12.

*June.* Receipts 258:14. Wednesday the 6th, *biddag*. Expenses 162:10. The Old Fox (*oude vos*) receives monthly 25*g*. for board—may have been an Indian.

*July.* Receipts 229:2, and some specie. The 4th was another day of prayer. In all these days, service was held twice a day. Expenses 85*g*.

*August.* Receipts 163:2. On Sunday the 28th, there was service only in the morning, when *Myssel* was married [*getrout ijs*]. A good deal more silver than usual was received this month. Expenses 276*g*.

*September.* Receipts 263:11 on 5 Sundays. Expenses 138:10.

*October.* Receipts 125:1 on 4 Sabbaths. Expenses 342:6. One of Dea. Reyerson's peculiarities is to write *en seppel tarf* for *een schepel tarwe* (a bushel of wheat.)

*November.* Receipts 216:12; 11:4 came from the sale of Peter Van Allen's farm; and 60*g*. was received from Roseboom for the use of the pall, in the shape of a fat pig, which was divided between Susanna and Lysbet Jans. Four deers were also purchased and divided between them and Poulyn. Expenses 186:10.

*December.* Receipts 382:10. Besides services on 5 Sundays, there were two services on Friday, Christmas day (*kersdagh*), and two on Saturday, second Christmas day (*twe kersdagh*); the collections on these two days and on the following Sunday, which was sacrament day, were 200*g*. Expenses 432:18; principally bestowed upon Susanna and Lysbet.

Receipts for the year 2,660:04; expenses 2,545:18. Dea. Reyersen paid over to his successor, Dirck Wessels, 3,342:12 in seawant, and 68:8 in specie.

The customary certificate is written and signed by the dominie in a very much improved hand:

Gideon Schauts [sic], Pastor in Nieuw Albanie; Johannes Provoost,

ouderlingh; Dierck Wessels, diackony; Marten Gertsen, onderlingh; Davijdt Schuyler, diackonen.

1675.

Mr. Dirck Wessels gives us a change in the wording of his introduction, as follows:

*Primo jannuari. Geft godt allen de eer In albani. Vervoght vande entfunck ende uyt gift der diakonie Jint Jaer enser heeren en Salick maecker Jesu Cristi door Dierick Wessels. Anno 1675.*

That is: January first. Give God alone the glory! In Albany. Continuation of the income and expenditures of the Deaconry in the year of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, by Dirck Wessels, Anno 1675.

This is a specimen of his formula, differing somewhat from that of his predecessors: *Vp Sondach voor ende na de midach voor samelt in de kerck.*

*January.* Receipts 231:17. Services were held in the church on the king's birthday, 30th. Expenses 193:12. Lisbet Jansen and Susanna Martense (?) and Pouweleyn, are the recipients of abundant alms this month.

*February.* Receipts 182:18½. Jacob Abrahamsen paid for the small pall 5*g.* Expenses 135:17:3.

*March.* Receipts 177:13:3. Expenses 125:8. Marten Hinricksz and Jan de Brouwer are mentioned.

*April.* Receipts 303:16:2. Expenses 178:15. A half book of paper cost 1:15.

*May.* Receipts 314:7. Expenses 251:17. The names of Jacob Aersen, Swarte Merten, Janitje Brouwer, &c., appear.

*June.* Receipts 264:10:2. Expenses 346:11. The names of Margaret Deckers, Jan de Brouwer, Marten Krygier, Ursel wife of Kersen Wouters, the Frenchmen that lie in the watch house, Goosen Gerretsen de Grau, Pieter Mesen, are among the names enumerated. Two books of paper were procured at 4*g.* for the use of the church council for consistory books. No such books exist, except these Deacon's accounts, previous to 1683, when Dom. Dellius began a record of baptisms and marriages.

*July.* Receipts 278:12. Expenses 305:15.

*August.* Receipts 237:8. Expenses 229:10. Daniel Schulaer is mentioned, Griet Jansen.

*September.* Receipts 233:0:2. Expenses 110:7.

*October.* Receipts 177:8. Expenses 403:16.

*November.* Receipts 205:11. Expenses 206:14. Susanna Mertensen, Powelyn, Lisbet Jansen, Merten Hinricksen, and Broder's wife are the recipients.

*December.* Receipts 432:11. Meindert Fredericksen paid 10*g.* for the great pall, and Roseboom paid in 47*g.* which he had received during the year. Expenses 456:4.

Total receipts 3,040:3:1; expenses 2,953:6:3; scawant remaining on hand 3,342:12, and 4 beavers valued at 98*g.*

The annual certificate given at the examination of the year's account is signed by: Gideon Schaets, Pastor in Nieuw Albany; Nicolaus Van Rensselaer, Pastor Loci; Johannes Provoost, onderling; Marten Gertsen, do.; Cornelis Van Dyck, do.; Davidt Schuiler, diaken; A. Teller.

1676.

*Primo Jannuarij. Ere sy Godt In Albanij. Voor volght van den ontfancks ende uyt giest deen diackonij. In den Jare unsers heren ende salig maecker Jijssu Christi gchouden door Davit Schulaer.*

Judging from Mr. Schuiler's signature on the previous page, and the spelling of the name above, as well as the character in which it is written, some one was employed to engross the accounts of this year. It appears to be in the same hand as that of the preceding year. The orthography is the same, as well as some other peculiarities—especially *vp* for *op*.

*Jannary.* Receipts 200:12. Expenses 98:10.

*February.* Receipts 181:7. Expenses 217:16.

*March.* Receipts 396:16. Expenses 235:14. Hinrick Marselus (sometimes written Hinderick) is mentioned.

*April.* Receipts 251:19. Expenses 403:19. Herman Vedder is mentioned as having sold 14 schepels of wheat at 7*g.* per schepel. The burial of Ariaen de Fissers is alluded to; Jacob de Brewer. Maria is a new recipient of alms.

*May.* Receipts 240:13. King's day was held on the 29th. Expenses 275:3. Philip Schuyler was paid 35*g.* for 5 cans of *brandawyn* used at the burial of Arriyan de Fissers; 50*g.* were paid for cleaning the church, besides 10*g.* to Gerrit Banker for articles required therefor.

*June.* Receipts 295:11. Expenses 135:8. Mister Pers received 57*g.* for candles used in the church.

*July.* Receipts 246:19, on 5 Sundays and 4 Wednesdays. Expenses 208:12. De Fransen, Lisbet, Kleyn de Goyer, Poweleyn, Susanna received assistance. Marten Gerretsen was paid 50*g.* for a ton of beer and a shirt for the burial of Arryan de Fisser; and 26*g.* was paid for his coffin.

*August.* Receipts 201:6 on 5 Wednesdays and 4 Sundays. Expenses 211*g.*

*September.* Receipts 158:13 on 4 Sundays and 4 Wednesdays. Expenses-127:15.

*October.* Receipts 299:11. Expenses 356:4; 10 lbs. cotton cost 12*g.*

*November.* Receipts 159:15 on 4 Sundays and 5 Wednesdays. Expenses 262:10; 22½ ells of Pennesten was purchased of Mister Griffy at 5 guilders, 112:10.

*December.* Receipts 522:5. Expenses 487:12. Goods were purchased of Wm. Neffyn. Capt. Salesberrij was paid 42*g.* for the 2 girls restored by the Indians. Hendrick Roseboom paid in 80*g.* received by him during the year for the use of the palls, among which was 10*g.* received at the burial of Broeder Cornelis; and 10*g.* at that of Juffrou Correlaers; and 10*g.* at that of Jan Andriessen's mother.

Among the names enumerated are William Parker, Cornelis Lysberts, Jacob Tyssen, Cornelis Vanderhoeven, Gabriel Tomassen, Jan Becker, Wynant Gerritsen, Andries Teller.

Total receipts 3,161:07. Total expenses 3,010:7.

Deacon Schuyler delivered over to his successor 3,510:9 in seawant, black and white, loose and strung; also 20 ells of penneston at 5 guilders 100*g.*; and 17 schepels of wheat @ 6*g.* per schepel 102*g.*

The customary voucher was signed by Gideon Schaets, Pastor in Nieuw

Albany; Nicolaus Van Rensselaer, Pastor Loci; Marten Gertsen, onderling; Corn. Van Dyck, Adriaen Gerretsen, A. Teller, Jan Jansen Bleeker.

This ends the book. The accounts of the following year were kept by Andries Teller, but the records for the next five years are not to be found, namely 1677, 1678, 1679, 1680, 1681. The book for 1682 is in existence. It was kept by Gerritt Lansing. The accumulations in the hands of the Deacons at the end of the year 1681 were 8,012:09½.

Deacon Schuyler in his inventory of the utensils of the church which he delivered over to his successor, mentions but one silver becker. One of the beckers still in possession of the church, is dated 1660, and the other 1676; and we find in the inventory of 1682 that there were then two. There is evidently an error in the date of the latter, or it did not arrive before the inventory was made up.

The second book of records contains the receipts and disbursements of the deacons during three years of the ministry of the Rev. Gideon Schaets, namely 1682, 1683, 1684.

- 1682.

The accounts of the year 1682 are in the handwriting of Gerret Lansing, beginning thus: "Laus Deo, Ontfanght der Dieaconij. Op Nieuwe jaers daegh ontfangen voor en nade middagh versamelt:" that is, received at the fore and afternoon New Year's day collections.

*January.* The receipts were 252:6. On Monday, the 30th, was king's day. Jan Albertsen Brat and Pieter Winne paid for the small pall, and Jacobus Van Vorst for the large pall. The expenses were 10*g.* in seawant, and 4 schepels of wheat and 8 ells of Osnaburg linen from the deacon's store, to Pouwelyn's wife.

*February.* Receipts 298:17. Anthony Van Schaick paid for the small pall. Expenses 617. Klaas die Brabander was paid 50*g.* for 10 schepels of wheat, and 8 schepels of corn cost 24*g.* A pound of tobacco for Ariaen Hubertsen cost 14*g.*, and his board and washing for two months 80*g.* Hendrik Kuilder was paid 7:17 for black stuff, and two skeins of silk for the collection bag (*karck sackie*), and Jan Fynhagel was paid 2*g.* for making it. This utensil being for the purpose of taking up the collections was properly chargeable to this fund. Of this amount, 617*g.*, 425*g.* was loaned to Jan Thomassen. The rate of interest seems to have been 8 per cent.

*March.* Receipts 272:19. Marten Kregier gave a silver piece of 3*g.* to the poor. Expenses 263*g.* The store of wheat was further increased by the purchase of 20 schepels of Johannes Wendel for 100*g.*, and the like quantity of Johannes Lansing for the like sum.

*April.* Received 354:11, besides an unusual quantity of silver. Expenses 129:2. Dr. Cornelius Van Dyck was paid 37:10 for a quarter year's salary (*gaasie*\*). Johannes Bechman was paid 2*g.* for a cover to the consistory chest; and Robert Sanders' wife was paid 36*g.* for 9 cans Canary wine for sacramental use. Orseltyn, Aeltie Solderse and Poulyn's wife were recipients of charity, and Ariaen Huibertsen received his monthly allowance of beer and tobacco.

\*This term is not found in the dictionaries; it is said to be pronounced *haasie*, and to be a sailor's term for wages.

†Charles II, of England, was born 29th May, 1630.

Expenses of the Burial of Ariaen Hubertsen, a Church Pauper, 1682.

1828	verloosten van begrafenis van aris ingeborens	
	bestelt voor 5 kunsen om als ferswant	12
	als die draegers geyens 2 fischels van agten Agni	
	als kluss van roterdam bestelt voor gest	
	maekts van die doot liest als ferswant	30
	als roseloom bestelt voor als ferschten in voort	
	groot maekts in voort lieds, van die elck als ferswant	43
	als garant die miederfs bestelt voor in gulffot	
	groot bipse als ferswant	10
	als al best rijckmans bestelt voor in anckergest bipse	14
	als 81 pont expijcties bestelt als ferswant	10
	voor als lijnens doot elck als ferswant	9
	voor 3 1/2 salenct voor die doot als ferswant	5
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*May.* Receipts 207:12. Harmen Van Bommel and Teunis Sliengerlant paid for the use of the small pall. The 29th was king's day, on which occasion a collection was taken up as usual. Expenses 603:19½. Of this amount 300*g.* "was given to a certain person with the consent of the whole consistory;" and 200:13½ was loaned to Geertruit Vrouemen, taking a silver goblet in pawn. Ariaen Huibertsen comes in for his month's board 40*g.*, a pound of tobacco 12*s.*, and a can of rum 3*g.*

*June.* Receipts 300:5, besides silver pieces. Expenses 190:12. A considerable portion of this sum was paid for cleaning the church, as follows: 2 cleaners, 6½*g.*; 2 brooms, 1:4; a schepel of lime, 3*g.*; a half pint of oil, 1:10; a schepel of sand 1:10; a scrubbing brush, 2*g.*; 2 duffel files, 4:8; scouring the chandelier, 12*g.* Jurijan Teunise was paid 32*g.* for 8 cans of sacramental wine.

*July.* Receipts 269:6, besides 30*g.* in specie of Mr. Aberhamstadt, and other silver. Baltes paid for the use of the small pall, and Jan Van Loone for the large. Expenses 71:2. Ariaen Huybertsen had 4 ells of Osnaburg linen and a pound of feathers for a cushion.

*August.* Receipts 240:15 besides silver. Barent de Muelenaer had the use of the large pall. Expenses 237:6. Broeder's wife had 3 ells of *strodwaters* to make a petticoat for her daughter, at 36*g.*; Antien Barentsen had 10*g.* and a schepel of the deacon's wheat; Albert Ryckman was paid 16*g.* for beer furnished to Ariaen Hubertsen, who died in this month, and was buried on the 28th at an expense of 150:11, as follows: paid for 5 cans of rum, 12*g.*; to the bearers 2 pieces of 8, and 24 guilders; to Klaes Van Rotterdam for making the coffin, 30*g.*; Roseboom for services as undertaker, making the grave and ringing the bell, 43:10; Barent Myn-derse for a half vat\* of good beer, 16:10; Albert Ryckman for an anker† of good beer, 7:14; 1 lb. nails, 1:10; a linen shroud, 9*g.*; 3½ planks for the coffin, 5:2. A fac simile of this record is given on the opposite page.

*September.* Receipts 311:11, besides 47, 16 quarters, 5 shillings, and a piece of 8 in silver. Expenses 184*g.* Derckien de Wever and William Teller's wife were paid for board, &c., of Jan Kornelisen.

*October.* Receipts 239:13. Giesbert Marseles's wife paid for the use of the large pall. Two pieces of 8, and 23 quarters were received in silver. Expenses 217:10, and 24*g.* in specie. Mr. Syoons was paid 132*g.* for 9 gallons of wine for the sacrament. Maretie de Brouster was paid 10*g.* for cleaning the church.

*November.* Receipts 195:½, and 6 quarters in silver. Expenses 52:6, besides specie payments to the Frenchmen (*Die Franzen*). A schepel of salt was 4*g.*; 4 lbs. butter 5*g.*; a fat hog 60*g.* in specie; a ½ anker of molasses 12*g.*; a schepel of corn 3*g.*; a deer 15*g.*

*December.* Receipts 940:12, besides silver. Captain Eston, Mr. Doedd, † Cobes de Snyder, Peter Quackenboss, paid for the use of the large pall; and Peter Schuyler, Melgert Abrahamse, Leuckesen Gerretsen, Roeliff Karstense, Gerretse Guysbertse, Meuwes Hogeboom, and Dick de Soldier, Tierk Harmensen, twice, the small or child's pall. Jacob Casperse paid 15*g.* for the pall, indicating three children, or an adult and child.

\* 10 gallons, or 83 bottles.

† 5 gallons.

‡ The pall was used at the burial of these two persons.

Jan Tomasen returned 462*g.* for the 425*g.* loaned to him. The collections in the church for three days in succession were as follows: Sunday, 24th, being sacrament day, 159:2; Monday, 25th, Christmas, 61:10; Tuesday, 26th, 2d Christmas (*kersdingsdagh*), 23:3, besides 1 piece of 8, 2 three gilder pieces, 25 quarters, and 4 shillings in silver. Expenses 87:17 besides specie. The Frenchmen received goods and money; Karsten de Norman also received sundry articles; Evert Wendell was paid 12*g.* in specie for making a coat, Johannes Wendell being paid 14*g.* for 2 ells of Kersey for the same, the deacons furnishing 2 more. Kornelis Hyesbertse was paid 14*g.* in specie for two loads of wood; and Takel Dirckse was paid for the board of Klyn de Goyer.

In summing up the year's business, Deacon Lansing's receipts were found to have been 11,695:18. His predecessor, Wouter Dyteshof\* transmitted to him 6,513:12, of which amount he sold or loaned to Stephen van Cortlant 5,998:17½, at an advance of 9½ per cent, 569:17½; sold to Mr. Teller 194 English shillings, 349:5, advanced 38:15; 5½ pieces of 8, advanced 6*g.*; 66*g.*; also a little sack of silver valued at 475*g.*; to which were added the monthly receipts of the year, 3,683:9½. The disbursements were 2,664:5½; leaving a balance of 9,031:13 in the treasury; besides 83 ells of Osnaburg linen, 10 ells of serge, a silver cup pawned for 200:13½; 16 pieces of foreign silver valued at 18*g.*, and 20 bushels of wheat.

The inventory of articles in his custody is given as follows: 1 new pall; 2 old ones; 2 table cloths and 7 napkins; 2 silver cups; one earthen can with a silver lid; 1 pewter and 1 earthen can; 2 pewter basins and 1 large pewter plate; 1 *ragebol*† and a scrubbing brush. Together with a list of accounts and obligations due the treasury.

The annual audit is signed by Gideon Schaats, pastor; Dirck Wessels, Marten Gerretsen, Pieter Bogardus, elders; Pieter Schuyler, Albert Ryckman, deacons.

1683.

The acting Deacon this year was Peter Schuyler. Over each page are the words *Laus Deo*.

*January.* The receipts were 764:18½ including 497*g.*, principal and difference of exchange received from Jacob Meuse, husband and guardian of his wife, Elizabeth de Lint. King's day was kept on the 30th. Expenses 17*g.* By advice of the consistory, he loaned Jacob Meuse £120, which is carried out 4,800*g.*

*February.* Receipts 257:½. Expenses 76:8.

*March.* Receipts 226:19, of which 3*g.* were bestowed by Marten Creiger. Expenses 60:18.

*April.* Receipts 455:½. Paasday or Easter collections amounted to 191:10. Expenses 365*g.* Mr. Soons furnished 5 gallons of wine for the sacrament at 80*g.*

*May.* Receipts 598:10. Of this amount 300*g.* was bestowed by Philip Schuyler, who died this year; and 10*g.* was paid by Margaret Schuyler for the use of the pall. Expenses 218:14, a considerable portion of which was for cleaning the church.

\* This name is very obscurely written.

† A sort of duster consisting of a large round brush with a long handle, for the purpose of reaching cobwebs in a high room.



*June.* Receipts 232:6½, besides 20 schepels of wheat derived from the personal estate of Carstiaen de Winter. Expenses 249:1. Marten Cornelissen was paid 18*g.* for 60 lbs. of beef, and butter was bought at 24*s.* a pound. A cow was purchased for Dirk Mayese the son-in-law of Lijzzie Solderse, at 168*g.* A half barrel (4 *tuns*) of lime cost 20*g.* 3 lbs. soap 2:14.

*July.* Receipts 617:7. On sacrament day, 8th, 225:15 were collected. Ritsert Prettie paid 80*g.* on account of Robert Sanderse. Jan Yosten gave 2 pieces of 8 to the poor, which is carried out 24*g.* Abraham van Ilpendam and Barentie Harmense paid 10*g.* each for the pall. Expenses 287:12. Four pieces of 8 (48*g.*) were loaned to the commissaries. The names mentioned are Dr. Van Dyck, Eytie Barentse, Annetie Barents, Old Karsten, Pouwelyn, Orseltie, and Kleyn de Goyer. Dirrickie Weverse was paid 154*g.* for the maintenance of Jan Kornelisen, who is supposed to have died about this time.

*August.* Receipts 396:3. Jan Bruyn paid for the small pall, and Arnout Kornelisen for the large pall for Jan, whose name appears for the last time. Expenditures 147:10. Myndert Frederickse was paid 4*g.* for a ring for the sack, and Jan Vinhagel 2*g.* for making the sack or bag for taking up collections.

*September.* Receipts 564:6½. At the Sunday collections of the 30th, 219*g.* were taken up. Wouter de Backer paid 10*g.* for the pall, and 20 schepels of wheat were received from Claes Willemsen on account of the personal estate of Carsten de Winter deceased (*saligher.*) Expense 226:11. The recipients of alms are Pouwelyn, Orseltie and Carsten de Norman. Dr. Van Dyck is paid his quarter's salary, and Symen Schermerhorn is paid 16*g.* for a pair of shoes. Phillipsoon supplies 8 gallons of wine at 128*g.* A pair of Friesland stockings cost 6*g.*

*October.* Receipts 243:11½. Pouwelyn Turck paid for the use of the small pall. Expenses 252*g.* Pouwelyn's wife is debited 51 ells Osnaburg at 17 ells per beaver, 72*g.*

*November.* Receipts 463:15. Johannis Provoost paid for the use of the large and small pall. Received 340 lbs. of hops on account of Klyn de Goyer, on which a deduction of 164 lbs. was allowed for picking; the remaining 176 lbs. were sold at 1*g.* a pound. Maese Kornelissen was paid 36*g.* for 17 candlesticks to be used at the evening services in the church. Andries Teller was paid 12*g.* for the Psalm Book used by Domine Dellius in the pulpit. This is the first mention of the name of Dom. Dellius.

*December.* The receipts were 772:17. At the preparatory service on Friday, 21st, 21:10 were collected; on the 23d, being sacrament Sunday, 217:10; 25th, Christmas, fore and afternoon service, 67:10; 26th, 2d Christmas day collections, 55:18; total of 4 days 362:8—at 40 cts the gilder is 144:96, but in the depreciated wampum currency it would amount to 45:40. Jan the Trompeter gave 45*g.* to the poor; the commissaries paid 48*g.* loaned to them; Marten Kornelissen, Teunis Slingerlandt, Pieter Bogardus, Jacob Mesen paid each for the large pall, and Jacob Sander, Wm. Kettelheun, Evert Janse Kuyper, Johannes Van Sandt, and Pieter Schuyler for the use of the small pall. The expenses were 432:6. With the consent of consistory 48*g.* were given to a Frenchman; Livingston was paid 26*g.* for services to the poor; Jacob Tysen received 9*g.* for making a coat

and pair of breeches for Kyn de Goyer; Isaac Verplanck 8*g.* for 2 schepels of lime; Dr. Cornelis Van Dyck his quarterly salary of 37:10; and Albert Ryckman 6:5 for 1½ ankers of beer for Orseltie, a pauper; Wouter Alberse was paid 14*g.* for bread for the Lord's table; and Hendrik Roseboom 32*g.* for setting the table one year; Jacob Mesen for making a seat in the parquette, 40*g.*; Hans Hendrikse's son 30*g.* for 10 candlesticks for the church.

The whole receipts of the year were 5,692:14½. The expenditures were 2,651*g.* Mr. Schuyler handed over to his successor money and obligations to the amount of 12,073:7, besides a cow in the possession of Mary Joeghemse, and one with Dirk Everse; a silver goblet pawned for 200:13½, containing 16 pieces of foreign money, 10 ells of serge, 15 ells of bleached and unbleached Osnaburg linen, 8 schepels of wheat, a list of obligations of long standing, and the church utensils, before enumerated.

The customary annual certificate of the consistory in the hand of Dom. Schaets, is given in fac simile on the opposite page. The signature of Domine Dellius here first appears—simply *Dell*.

1684.

The accounts of this year were kept by Adrian Gerretsen.

*January.* Receipts 261:19, 10*g.* of which was contributed by Doorte Volkerse. The expenses were 219*g.* The recipients of charity this month were Antony Barway, Dirk Everse, Pouwelyn and his wife, Annetje Barends and Orseltje.

*February.* Receipts 367:15, of which 110:6 was a premium on 1,160:16*g.* sold to Mrs. Marghriet Schuyler; Pieter Mesen paid for the large pall; also the constables paid for the same at the burial of Teunis Willemse. The expenses were 209:7.

*March.* Receipts 400:18, of which 203:11 was taken up on paasday. Expenses 858:10. Gelyn Verplank was paid 300*g.* for the passage of Klyn de Goyer in the ship Bever, and Jan Andriesen Douw borrowed 20 pieces of 8 at 6 per cent, which is carried out at 240*g.*

*April.* Receipts 246:7, collected on 4 Sundays and 1 Wednesday. Disbursed 164:13. Wouter de Backer was paid 5*g.* for a bottle of Spanish wine, and 18*g.* were paid for communion wine; 15*g.* were paid for 3 schepels of wheat for Dirk Evertsen.

*May.* Receipts on four Sundays 242:11. Disbursements 932:2, of which a considerable portion was for replenishing the deacon's stock of goods, purchased of Peter Schuyler, Johannes Wendell and Johannes de Wandelaer.

*June.* Receipts 504:12; of which 5*g.* was on account of letters received from Holland. Expenses 751:13. Johannes Wendell was paid 144*g.* in seawant for a piece of 106½ ells Osnaburg linen, at the rate of 1½ lbs. beaver for 20 ells; also 12:9 for 5 cans of sweet wine. There is an item of 88:12 for "goods given to a certain person."


*July.* Receipts 349:18. Annetie Lievens purchased 2 sacks of wampum of 662*g.*; but there was found 700*g.* in the sacks, and a premium of 30*g.* was obtained, being a gain of 68*g.* Expenses 69:3. Two pounds of tobacco had been furnished Jan Kornelissen, 1:18, who is here styled *doctor*.

*August.* Receipts 268*g.* Expenses 921:15. Peter Schuyler was paid

Certificate to the correctness of Dea. Stoffel Jansen Abeel's accounts with the Poor, for the year 1683,  
 in the hand writing of Dom. Schaets.

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*Gidony Schuyler  
 myn minnen Alldienst*



Met opene deuren in de kercke is dese rekeninge gedaen op den 1<sup>en</sup> Jan. 1684, is bevonden wel en regt. Bedanken desen den e kerkeraet den e diacon Pieter Schuyler en is daeran van den e kerkeraet ondertekend de dato ut supra.

GIDEON SCHAETS, Pastor  
 In nieuw Albanic.  
 DELL.

This statement is publicly made in open church on the 1<sup>st</sup> Jan. 1684, and found true and correct. The thanks of the Hon. Consistory are tendered to the Hon. Deacon Peter Schuyler, and is thereupon subscribed to by the Consistory.  
 Dated as above.

GIDEON SCHAETS, Pastor  
 In New Albany.  
 DELL.

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48g. for 12 ells of coarse cloth (*plets*), and Marghriet Schuyler 12g. for 10 lbs. of butter. Jan Dirricse had a pair of Iceland (*eyslanse*) stockings.

*September.* Receipts 440:8; "from a certain person," 36g.; from the friends of Cobus the runner (*looper*) for a piece of 8, out of gratitude (*tot dankbaarheid*). Expenses 444:7. Rijck Ridderse was paid 7:10 for an anker of beer, and 8½ cans of wine were bought at 19:10. Jannetje de Vriesin (Frieslander?) received gifts, and a stranger was given 18g. Jan Martense was paid 135g. for 3 mos. board of fat (*dicke*) Jan Cornelissen.

*October.* Collections on four Sundays, 223:17. Expenses 298:8. Jan De Berte was paid 24g. for plowing, sowing, and harrowing in 2 schepels of wheat.

*November.* Receipts 530:8. Expenses 355:4. Yacob Sanderse was paid 27g. for a blanket or quilt, and Sybrant Van Schaick 82g. for kersey furnished during the year. Ecbert Teunissen was paid 42g. for a pig that went to De Vriesin. Catrina Martense was loaned 105g. in seawant.

*December.* Receipts 1,096:19, including 103g. returned by Catrina Martense. Sybrant Van Schayck and Albert Ryckman paid 96g. for Kleyn de Goyer's hop vines; settled with Adam Winne on his paying 110g.; one Lieffensten (Robt. Livingsten?) gave through Mr. Prette 18g.; 71:11 were received at the Christmas day collections, and on the Sunday following 225:13 was collected; besides which Jochghem Lammerse paid over 114g. collected at Kinderhook, and Harmen Lievissen 49:15 collected at Half Moon (Waterford). Expenses 479:9. Derrick Bensingh was paid 6g. for bringing a stranger from Esopus, and Jan Dirkse was paid 8:2 for 3 ells kersey for a waistcoat and breeches for Leendert Flipsen. Leiffinsten was paid 48g. for 9 cans of sweet wine. Jan Trompetter was paid 28g. on account of Pouwelyn, and Dirrickije de Weverse 135g. for 3 mos. board of fat Jan Cornelissen. Wouter Alberse received 14g. for bread used in the church, and Hendrick Roseboom 32g. for setting the Lord's table.

During this year a house and lot were purchased of Doorte Volkerse, which is represented as "lying on the plain, behind the widow Gooze's." The original cost was 600g., but it seems to have been rebuilt, which increased the cost to 3,148:16. As the items in this account contain the names of merchants, artizans, and laborers, and show the prices of labor and materials, it is given in full.

Bought of Doorte Volkerse a house and lot for 50 bevers, upon which was paid 25 bevers	600
Hendrik Marselis for 12 days work on the house,	72
Yacob Casperse for a load of building stone,	120
Cartage of the stone, clay, sand, &c.,	84 : 12
Dirrick Bensingh for 7 tons (casks) of lime,	24
Beer for the work people at the raising of the building,	47 : 10
Gerrit Van Ness for 50 inch boards and 12 ceiling boards,	75
Tarck Harmense for 110 do. and 51 do.	214
Antony Barens for 46 do.	50
Peter Quackenboss for 7000 bricks,	170
Dirrick Bensing for a load of stone and the cartage,	117 : 8
19 loads of stone by various persons,	58 : 10
Dick the Englishman, for 39½ days' work on the house,	205

Jan Andriese Douw and Jan Vanderhoef . . . . .	30
Annetije Lievens for 40 lbs. of nails, . . . . .	48
Gerrit Banker for 8 lbs. of nails, . . . . .	12
William Claese for building the house, . . . . .	468
Hendrik Beecman and Jacob Vos for the masonry, . . . . .	336
6 days work of various persons, . . . . .	36
Pieter Bogardus for the glazing, . . . . .	96
Jan Abeel for 72½ lbs. nails, . . . . .	43 : 10
Teunis Vanderpoel for stuff for window frames ( <i>kosyn wood</i> ) . . . . .	27
Johannes Martens for a lock and other work, . . . . .	21 : 10
6 boards for benches, . . . . .	6
Jacob Abramse for shingling the house, . . . . .	144
Adam Winne for sills and a gutter, . . . . .	42
	3,148 : 16

It does not appear whether this was a parsonage or a poor house. But large sums were called in for the purpose. Jacob Meesen paid in 100 pieces of 8 which is entered at 1,200*g.* (in wampum); and 24 schepels of wheat received from Purmerend is reckoned at 5 schepels per beaver, and amounts to 240 guilders in wampum. It appears that Meesen still owed 4,295*g.*, on which the rate of interest was reduced from 8 to 6 per cent. Lawies Cobus, vendue master at Schenectady, paid over the proceeds of the sale of Bastiyaen de Winter's effects, 219*g.* The purchasers at this sale were Symon de Backer, Elyas Van Guyselin, and Pieter Viele.

The ordinary collections of the year were 4,933:13, and the disbursement 5,703:11. The transactions of the year, including the ordinary disbursements, the payments on the house, and 4,901:13 in the treasury amounted to 13,754 guilders. There was also a large sum invested on bond and mortgage.

The accounts were audited by the two pastors, Schaets and Dellius, and by the consistory, Peter Bogardus, Jan Janse Bleeker, Jan Vinhagel, Jacob Sanderse [Glen?], Peter Schuyler, Albert Ryckman, Johannes Wendell. The certificate is in the handwriting of Domine Dellius, of which a fac simile is given. It was resolved at this time that the collections taken in the church for the poor on Wednesdays and other week days during the year 1685, should be appropriated by the church masters to the use and maintenance of the church.

#### 1685.

The acting deacon for the year 1685 was Johan Wendell. The receipts of that year were 4281*g.* 4*s.*; and the disbursements 4612*g.* 9*s.* The customary certificate is signed by Gideon Schaats, Godefridus Dellius, Jan Janz Beerckyl, Jan Vinhaegen, Jacob Jansen Schermerhoren, Adriaen Gerretsen Papendorp, Jan Lansinch, Joachim Staets. The orthography is exactly preserved in these names; that of Dom. Dellius being now first latinized.

On the first of January, 1686, Deacon Wendell surrendered the treasures of his office, consisting of 4570*g.* 8½*s.* in wampum and specie; a house and lot inventoried at 4014*g.* 6*s.*; a bond of Jacob Meesen [Vroo-

De reekeninge der Kercke, door Adriaan  
Geertjens gedrukt, is opgeleest, te weten  
Eens D. Schaats met d'andere leden van  
des Eerw. Kercken-raadt, nevens  
andere ledematen der gereformeerde kercke  
deser stadt, is bevonden, by slot van  
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niet aller naam. J. P. Dellius.

De reekeninge der Kercke, door Adriaan Geertz, gedrukt en geslooten ten  
overstaan van Do. Schaats met d'andere leden van den Eerw. Kercken-  
raadt, nevens andere ledematen der gereformeerde Kercke deser stad is  
bevonden, by slot van reekeninge, dat 294 fl. meer ontfangt als niet gegeven is.  
den 1 Jan. 1688.

Niet aller naam.

GE: DELL.

The account of the church, rendered and closed by Adriaan Geertz, in the  
presence of Do. Schaats, with the other members of the Honorable Consistory,  
besides other members of the Reformed Church in this city, is found by the  
balance of the account that 294 guilders more have been received than expended,  
1st Jan., 1688.

In the name of the whole.

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man] for 3863*g.* 4*s.*; another of Jan Andriesen Douw, of 240*g.*; total, 12687*g.* 18½*s.*

On the debit side of the book for the month of October, this entry occurs: "Ere sij Godt. In Albanie, Anno 1685, den 2 October. Is mijn broeder Jacob Sanderse dieiaken in den here ontslapen s'naghs ontrent een winnigh naer 2 uren tussen vriday en Saterdagh." Which signifies that his brother Deacon Jacob Sandersen [Glen?] fell asleep in the Lord at night about two o'clock between Friday and Saturday.

## 1686.

The deacons were Jan Lansingh and Jochim Staets. Their record begins a new book, which extends to 1715. For the first time we find the first two months of the year entered as of two years, thus 1685, to correspond with the custom of the English. Dr. Van Dyck was still physician to the poor at 150 guilders a year (\$18.75) in wampum. In August of this year they loaned the city authorities 4012:3 at 6 per cent. Six pounds of nails were purchased of Jan Tysen for the church at Kinderhook. A large amount was expended for building materials, in November, and mention is made of the domine's house and the deacons' or alms house. The elders of the church borrowed 248:18 of the deacons. 168 guilders were disbursed to Mary Jochimse on security. The annual certificate is signed by Gideon Schaats, Gr. Dell, Jacob Schermerhooren, Adriaen G. Papendorp, Dirck Wessels, Albert Ryckman, Jacob Abrahamson.

## 1687.

Albert Ryckman and Jacob Abrahamson in office. On the 17th Jan., 102 guilders were received from the poor boxes at Kinderhook. Annetje Barendsen was buried at an expense of 142 guilders. Domine Schaets's house was repaired out of the poor fund. In June was purchased of Peter Schuyler major, a *waeey*, for which was paid 2520 guilders. And in September another sum of 560 guilders was given to Dom. Dellius on account of this *waeey*, and in November 48*g.* more. The names of Davidt Schuiler, Gerrit Reyersen and Egbert Tunissen appear for the first time among the consistory.

## 1688.

The minutes of this year appear to be in the handwriting of Gerrit Reyersen, which is quite rude. It discloses no important events. Tunis Tempelier was buried on the 25th July, at the expense of the treasury. In August 1857 guilders were paid on account of the *wey*, which was probably the pasture at the south of the city. Catryna Vanderpoel was paid 240 guilders for a half year's rent for the house in which Domine Dellius lived. The collections were 4101:8, and the expenses 4054:15. An item of 1801:8 appears as *wey-gelt* received, indicating a sale or lease of a part of the tract. There is a table of expenses for labor and so forth which amounts to 741:2, anent the *weij*.

The audit is signed by Dellius, Gideon Schauts, pastor in Nieuw Albanie, Daviet Schuiler, Peter Winne, Jan Jansz Bleecker, Wouter Albertsen, Jan Lansinch, Evert Wendel.

1689.

The two last mentioned persons took charge of the business this year. A good many items of expense occur on account of the weij. The elders borrowed 283*g.* in May. In the same month Barent—— was buried with the customary items of expense. A good many citizens paid for soil out of the pasture (*aerde wijt de wy*) and the old fort. Also 1939*g.* were received from the pasturage of horses and cattle in the *wij*; 59½*g.* were paid for 12 lbs. of butter for Dom. Dellius. Gerrit Van Ness was paid for boards for the old church yard — the one in Church street, probably, as they seem to have been drawing earth from the old fort there. The new names that appear are William and Gerrit Gysbertsen, Gerrit Hardenberg, Ryck Ryddersen, Dick Dragon, Levinus Van Schayck, Benoni van Korler, Ryck Ael, Jacob Vos, Myndert Wimp, Rynier Barents, Johannes de Smit. Margaret Schuyler was paid 288*g.* by order of Dom. Dellius for interest of £120; and the further sum of 800*g.* by order of the domine for discount of the capital sum of £20; and 295*g.* was delivered over to the elders Jan Janse Bleecker and Johannes Wendell: all in the month of August. In October the deacons bought of Peter Schuyler *de val op de beverskil* — the Buttermilk fall — with *vyf morgen lant*, about 10 acres, for 1000*g.*, of which 837*g.* was paid. In November the elders received a further sum of 350*g.* from the poor fund. In December Jacob Mesen Vrooman paid 177*g.* interest money, and 252*g.* was received from various persons for *kruyt opt 't diacony huys* (vegetables, probably); 1939*g.* was paid into the treasury for pasturage; 480*g.* per annum was paid for rent of the house occupied by Dom. Dellius. The amount of receipts this year was 5536:10; the disbursements 5906:8. Margaret Schuyler was paid 4000*g.* (£100) interest money, and Peter Schuyler who was then mayor, was paid 163*g.*, the balance due on the Beaver creek.

1690.

Jacob Staats and Jan Byvanck were the young deacons this year. The receipts were 2408:17, and the expenses 3576:14. Dr. Van Dyck seems to have been succeeded by Jacob Staets as physician. The consistory borrowed 180*g.* for Dom. Dellius. There was a loan of £100 (4000 gilders in seawant) of Juffrouw Margriet Schuyler, the interest on which was 240*g.* seawant for this year. The signatures of Dom. Schaats, Jan Vinhaeghen, Johannes Wendel, Dirck Wessels, Johannes De Wandelaer, Jacob Meesen Vroommen and Jacob ten Eyck appear to the audit. This is the last time that Dom. Schaats's name appears.

1691.

Johannes De Wandelaer and Jacob Lookermans had charge of the eleemosynary funds this year. The record is very neatly written. The income was 2884:12, and the disbursements 2520:1. The expenses of February are solely for the burial of Jan Cornelissen, whose name had long appeared on the books as the recipient of alms. The items are here inserted in the original Dutch orthography, to show the language and custom of the time.

Aen Jannetie ridders voor haes houden van Jan Cornelise root 24:00

Aen Willem Claesz voor het maeken van Jan Cornelisz : syn doot kist	18:00
Aen Johannes Kujler voor 3 kan rom tot syn Begraffenis	12:00
Aen roosebooms soon voor het Brengen van Jan Cornelisz syn kist na Bujten	0:18
Aen gysbert Marselis voor 3 planken tot de kist van Jan Cornelisz : root	6:00
Aen Jannetie ridders voor haer diest vant houde van Jan Cornelisz :	22:10
Aen Jannetie Ridders voor dienst vant houden van Jan Cornelisz : voor 2 Maende en 8 dagen het Laeste-gelt van haer gedans dienst	52:10
Aen henderck roseboom voor het Begrauen van Jan Cornelisz :	30:00
Aen harmen ganseuort voor een half vat bier tot de Begrauenis van Jan Cornelisz : root	12:00
Aen Jonge Jan syn vrou tot Lasten van de Meyer op tekening die sy noch te goet heeft van d dienst van Jan Cornelisz : root	16:00
The whole sum is 193:18. A part of the sum, however, was for board and washing.	

The names that appear are William Teller, Martie Temp, Johannes Van Sandt, Jacob Martensz, Kiliaen Van Rensselaer, Annetie Lamers, Evert Bancker, Johannes Beeckman, Jan Bradt, Alltie Oothout, Antonie Van Schayck, Jan Abeel, Isaack de Foreest. Some articles were bestowed upon an Englishman who had been imprisoned in Canada. Ten gallons of sweet wine were bought for the use of the sacrament at 120*g*. Among other properties belonging to the deacons was a bull, which was sold this year to Antonie Van Schayck for 107*g*. Father Schaets received 108:16 in settlement (*afkorting*) of his salary. This is the last mention of his name. The yearly audit is signed by Godefridus Dellius, Gerret Reyerse, Dirck Wessels, Albert Ryckman, Gerret Lansingh, Jacob ten Eyck.

The items of expense indicate the building of a house this year for Domine Dellius.

1692.

Jacob Ten Eyck and Johannes Tomassen Mingael had charge of the treasury this year. The receipts were 4914:7; the disbursements 5251*g*. Early in January Wouter Albertsen Uythoft paid in 1800*g*. on account of Jacob Meesen Vroman, deceased. The same amount was paid to Juffrouw Margaret Schuyler. The burial of Maertye Tempels is mentioned, the wine and beer costing 69*g*. Josep de Spaniert paid 24*g*. for rent of house. In March Ryck Riddersen deceased. The new names that appear are Tannen Winnen, Jannije Ridderse, Klaes Jansen, Peter Mingael, Luyck Duycksen, Jan Gouw, Jan Jacobsen, Andries Bradt, Jan Albertsen, Jannye Schermerhooren, Roelef de Drent, Barent Albertsen Bradt, Jan Abeel, Teunis Slingerlandt, Haerpert Jacobsen, Turck Harmensen, Johannes Van Sandt, Robbert Sanders, Benoni van Corlear, Wouter van den Uythoof, Elbert Gerretsen. The construction of the domine's house went on this year. The audit is signed by Dom. Dellius, Jan Jansz. Bleecker, Marten Gertsen, Evert Bancker, Hendrik van Rensselaer.

1693.

Everard Banker and Hendrick van Rensselaer officiated this year. Income 3415:8; expenses 2749:17. In April Johannes van Sandt was paid 6*g.* for *doot kisse voor biddende Jongen*. In May the consistory had 207:7, and in August 382*g.* In July Elyas van Rafenstyn had 156*g.* Among the new names that occur are Willem Holly, Jan Knoet, Jan Salemons, Tam and Sara Rodsiers. The auditors were Dom. Dellijs, Jo. Lansingh, Claes Ripse van Dam, and Antony van Schaick.

1694.

Hendrick van Rensselaer and Antony van Schaick carried the bag. Receipts 4474:7; expenses 4902:13. Trynte Schaets received by consent of the consistory 240*g.*; also 10*g.* for *doot kleet*, and other payments were made on her account for articles indicating a funeral in March. Melgert Wynkusele\* paid for the *Wasser loop van de bevers kyle*; that is, the Buttermilk falls. The Domine's huys, which had been receiving faint attention during the two previous years, was this year vigorously prosecuted, and absorbed the greater part of the amount expended.

The names appended to the audit are: Dellijs, Dirck Wessèls, Jacob Staats, Pieter Schuyler, Albert Ryckman, Joh. Cuyler, Johannes Rooseboom, Johannes Myngaël, Pieter Van Brugh.

1695.

Johannis Cuyler and Johannis Roseboom were the acting deacons. Receipts 4231*g.*; expenses 3171*g.* In January they made an arrangement with Sara huys vrow van Thomas Rodgers for the support of Elias van Ravenstyn at 24*g.* a month. The consistory made an arrangement with the consistory of the Lutheran church, Myndert Fredricksen, Jurrian van Hoesen and Pieter van Waglen, to pay Hendrick Marselis and his wife Tryn van den Bergh one third the expenses of keeping the poor. They agreed with Hans Kros and his wife Antje to provide Claes Janse *syn logement, kost, drank, wassen en ander gerak gedurende dit lopende jaer* (that is his lodging, board and washing) at 40*g.* a month. In June it is recorded that Claes died on the 12th, and was buried on the 13th. The expenses of his burial are thus given: Dead shirt and cap, 16*g.*; winding sheet, 14*g.*; making the coffin, 24*g.*; 1 lb. nails and cartage of the coffin, 3*g.* 10*s.*; 2 half vats of good beer, 30*g.*; 6 bottles of rum, 22*g.* 10*s.*; 5 gallons Maderia wine, 42*g.*; tobacco, pipes, and sugar, 4*g.* 10*s.*; 3 cart loads of sand for the grave, 1*g.* 10*s.*; Hendrik Roseboom for grave-digging, 30*g.* (this item probably included the services of the undertaker); to which the deacons contributed 3 boards for the coffin, and the use of the pall; total 188*g.* In February Harmen Rutgersen was paid 15*g.* for a half vat of beer delivered to Johannes Bensing for the burial of Egbert Norsesen; and Catalyntje Elslant was paid 16*g.* for a gallon of sweet wine for the sacrament at Kinderhook. A good deal of money was expended this year upon the *nieuwe koke huys* of Dom. Dellijs, that is, a new kitchen. Among the names of persons mentioned are Carel Hansen, Jan Andriese, Jan Gow, Syte Mattyse, grand-daughter of Tryn van den Bergh, Jona-

\* Melgert Wynantse?

than Stephens, Joseph Spanjaerd. Jacob Staets was still *chirurgyn der armen*. The *spiritual goods* (*geestelyk goederen*) of the church are inventoried, among which are mentioned a house and lot in Brewers street, obtained in 1692, in which Dom. Dellius lived. A poor house and lot by the side of the Rutten kill, acquired in 1685. A lot 25 feet broad, 29 Dec., 1794. A tract where the old fort stood on the west side of the great highway (near the present steamboat landing), and two parcels of land obtained of Gov. Dongan by Dom. Dellius. The accounts of the retiring deacons were audited by Dom. Dellius, Albert Ryckman, Peter Schuyler, Marten Gertsen, Johannes de Wandelaer, Johannes Myngaël, Peter van Brugh, Joh. Abeel, Wessel Ten Broeck.

## 1696.

Johannes Mingael and Peter van Brugh were the young deacons. They collected 3241:13, and disbursed 2954:4. The expenses of building and improving their real estate had depleted the treasury, and the former inventory of sacks of wampum and specie are no more mentioned. On the 9th Feb. Elias van Ravenstyn died, and was buried on the 11th. The bill of expenses is thus given: 1 lb. tobacco, 1*g.* 10*s.*; Roseboom (undertaker) 40*g.*; Jacob Bogert for the coffin 30*g.*; 3 boards, 4:10; a can of sweet wine, 5*g.*; Harme Raggerse for 2 vats beer, 30*g.*; 4 bottles rum for the watchers, 16*g.*; 4 cans, rum, 20*g.*; for the *doot kleet* and *hemd*, 36:12; for making the same, (winding sheet and shirt) 4:10; total, 218*g.* The surplus money was still spent upon the domine's house. Seven gallons of sweet wine was purchased of Catelyntic van Elselant for 112*g.* Cristejaen Han, and Nantje Sammerse are new recipients of alms. The domine signs his name simply Dellius, as usual; and is followed by J. Jansz. Bleecker, Joh. de Wandelaer, Dirck Wessels, Jan Lansingh, Hend. van Rensselaer, Wessel Ten Broeck, Willem Groesbeek.

## 1697.

The accounts were kept by Wessel Ten Broeck and Hendrik Van Rensselaer. They write the names of their predecessors as Johannes Tomasse and John Ver Brugge. The names of persons as well as things were written loosely. Dr. Staets was paid his salary for 1696, 60*g.* The number of the poor had fallen off, and the Doctor's salary was reduced. The great bridge in the pasture was repaired. Large sums are frequently paid to the consistory. The widow of Harmen Lieverse [Livingston?] for taking care of Rysick Swart was paid 24*g.* a month. Mr. Simson was paid 120*g.* for writing a patent of the lands of Broeder, who had long been one of those whom the church supported. Christian Han died in November when the customary list of expenses is given. Davit de Wilt, [David the Indian?] died in December, and was buried by the church. Hendrik Roseboom, who had long officiated as *voorlezer* and undertaker, and received his annual salary for setting the Lord's table, 64*g.*, the consistory now resolved should have an increase of pay for that duty of 32*g.* The receipts of the year were 2733:2; the expenses 2811:8. Audit signed: Dellius, Dirck Wessels, Jan Lansingh, Jan Vinhaegen, Albert Ryckman, Willem Groesbeek, Abraham Cuyler, Johann J. Bleeker, Anthony Bries.

1698.

Willem Groesbeeck and Abram Cuyler entered upon the duties of their office with 209:7 in the treasury. They received during the year 2836:10, and disbursed 2265:3, leaving 780:14 to their successors. We now find an income from the rent of the deacons' house: *Van Robbert Berret van huysshuer vant de dyakonys huys*, 35:5. The quantity of wine purchased for the sacrament is noteworthy. On the 29th April, 5 gallons of sweet wine was purchased, "als des heren avont mael uyt gedelt is soo hier als op de Kinderhook, 60g." On the 25th July, "Aen Dirck van der Heyden voor wyn als der heren avont mael was, 48g." Oct. 19, "Aen Brodes voor 3 galen wyn als des heren avont mael was, 36g." Dec. 25, "Voor wy als des heren avont mael was, 42g." In all about 15 gallons. May 11, was buried Hendrick de Haes's *vrouw*, when the following expenses are given:  $\frac{1}{2}$  vat beer, 24g.; coffin, 24g.; 2 gall. rum and 2 lbs. sugar, 25:10; uytbreng van bier en 1 kar, 18s.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. nails, 1:5; 5 gallons of wine of Dirck van der Heyden, 60g.; small cakes (*koekties*), 10g.; Roseboom, (undertaker), 42g. They were still building the domine's house, and improving the great pasture, a new bridge having been built over the Bever kil by Willem Kittloen. The principal recipient of the deacons' goods and money was Rysick Swart, at a monthly rate of 36g. The signatures to the annual audit are Dellius, Jan Vinhaegen, Albert Ryckman, Pieter Schuyler, Johannes Bleecker, Anthony Bries, Johannes Cuyler, Evert Bancker.

1699.

Johannes Bleecker and Anthony Bries. Hendrick Roseboom was paid 50g. for a half year's salary as chorister or reader (*voorlezer*). In the absence of the pastor he conducted the services, and also superintended burials. The expenditures were 1807g. The domine's house was still in progress, and bridges and other improvements were made in the pasture. Nevertheless the treasury was beginning to recuperate, 1590:1 being passed over to the next incumbents. The good services of the deacons "*van de ingesamelde Godspenningen*" is certified for the first and only time\* by

*Nucella* . —

Also by

JAN VINHAEGHEN,  
ALBERT RYCKMAN,  
PETER SCHUYLER,

JACOB LOKERMANS,  
JOHANNES CUYLER,  
EVERT BANCKER.

1700.

Johannes Cuyler and Evert Bancker deacons. The collections taken up in the church on the first Sunday in January amounted to 218g. 14s. John Kidnie paid 54g. for half a year's rent of the east end of the poor house, which seems to have been vacant by the decrease in the number of the poor; the old names having all disappeared from the list. It appears

\* It is stated on p. 2, that Dom. Nucella officiated here from 1695 to 1700, but there is nothing in this book to indicate his presence before this year, and this signature is the only record of him.

that Hendrick Roseboom received 400*g.* from the city and county besides his salary from the church; and he was voted 50 guilders extra pay for services as *voorlezer* during the time the church was without a pastor before the arrival of Dom. Nucella, which seems to have been on the 16th of April, 1699. On the 15th of February, Ryseck, widow of Gerrit Swart, the last of the church poor, died, and was buried on the 17th, the *onkosten* of which was as follows: 3 dry boards for the coffin, 7:10;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. nails, 1:10; making the coffin, 24*g.*; cartage, 10*s.*; a half vat and an anker of good beer, 27*g.*; 1 gal. rum, 21*g.*; 6 gall. Madeira for women and men, 84*g.*; sugar and *cruyery*, 5*g.*; 150 sugar cakes, 15*g.*; tobacco and pipes, 4:10; Hendrick Roseboom *doodgraver*, 30*g.*; use of the pall, 12*g.*; total 232*g.* A claim of Roseboom of 12*g.* for inviting to the funeral (*pretendeerde voor't aenspreken buyten d' stad*) was paid; but it was regarded as an extortionate charge, and the consistory ordered that the *doodgraver* should thereafter have from the deacons 30 guilders and no more, for like services. Mary wife of Jacob Lookermans was paid 6*g.* for assistance (*handrykingh*) at the burial, and Marritje widow of Harme Lievertse, who had long received a monthly stipend for nursing and board, was paid the same as for a full month, as was the custom, 36*g.* A statement of the expenses of Ryseck Swart during four years is given, amounting to 2229*g.* 10*s.*, and she is credited with effects, consisting of silver ware, jewelry, &c., and a lot on the plain (*tuyt erf op de plyn*) which were appraised by the patroon and Jacob Turck at 644*g.* 10*s.*, which in seawant was 1585*g.* On the 20th of July Dom. Johannes Lydius and Dom. Barnardus Freerman arrived (the latter the second pastor at Schenectady). On Sunday the 21st, they both assisted in the services (*elck eens gepredikt*), and on the following Sunday Dom. Lydius preached his introductory sermon. New improvements were made on the domine's house, and a new turned bedstead was purchased for Dom. Lydius at 40*g.* A payment of 160*g.* was made by Nanningh and Frederick Harmense towards their saw mill on the Bevers kil. A payment of 506*g.* was made upon the expenses of Dom. Lydius from Antwerp. The receipts were nearly 4000 guilders, and although there were many extraordinary expenses, there remained 853:12 in the treasury. The signatures to this year's business are those of

*Johannes Lydius. V. D. M.*

DIRCK WESSELS,  
HENDRICK VAN RENSSELAER,  
WILLEM GROESBEEK,  
GERRET VAN NESS,

ANTONY VAN SCHAICK,  
JOHANNIS ABEEL,  
HAERPert JACOBSEN,  
JOHANNES SCHUYLER.

1701.

William Claessen Groesbeek and Harpert Jacobsen van Deusen, deacons. They contributed to the magistrates of Albany, 120*g.* for the support of Jacob de Wilde Jonge. Domine Lydius's expenses from Amsterdam were paid in full 503:9; and the passage of Dom. Freeman, 560*g.* The receipts were 3481*g.*, and the disbursements 2880:2.

1702.

Gerret Van Ness and Johannes Schuyler, deacons. They entered upon their office with 1454*g.* 10*s.* in the treasury. A pasture had been purchased in 1700 of Ryer Schermerhorn, on which 600*g.* had been paid; the balance 1260*g.* was paid in January of this year. The collections in the church on four Sundays in July amounted to 618 guilders; and there remained in the treasury at the end of the year 3133*g.* 14*s.* The expenses upon the domine's house were still large, and they had been more than a year engaged upon the domine's well. All work of this kind seems to have progressed with the *safest* haste.

1703.

Hendrick Oothout and Robert Livingston, junior, had charge of the *kist* this year. In February 79 guilders were bestowed upon a necessitous person (*een nootdrufstige*); 240*g.* were paid for the passage of Dom. Freeman. Those who furnished materials or labor on the domine's house this year, were Samuel Pruyne, Wouter Quackenboos, Thomas Wendle, Evert Banker, Robert Barrett, Gerret Van Ness. Hendrick Roseboom, so long *voorlezer*, died this year, as appears by an entry stating that his salary for setting the Lord's table was paid to his widow. The receipts were 3271:2; expenses 2953:6, including 1916:10, paid to Anthony Van Schaick, for some indebtedness.

1704.

David Schuyler and Willem van Aelen received from their predecessors 3451:10, with the chest, besides five obligations for money due. The income was 3276:8; expenditures 761:11, leaving 5966:6 in the treasury. In January 5 cans of wine were sent to Kinderhook for the sacrament, and in April 9 more. Work upon the domine's house still went on. A needy person received 117:5½ in June, and in November two such persons, names unmentioned, received 167 guilders; in December a similar payment of 111:15. Anthony Bradt had succeeded Hendrick Roseboom as clerk, and *voorlezer*.

1705.

Geysbert Marcellis and Antony Coster, church-masters. They entered upon this office with 6727:10 in the treasury. The receipts of the year were 2938:11; expenses, 754:3.

1706.

Elbert Gerretse and Myndert Schuyler, church-masters. They found 8912:6 in the treasury, and increased the sum to 10287 guilders. In March they expended 395:10 in *verbeteren* Dom. Lydius's house, and further sums were paid on that account and for repairs on the *armen*, or poor house. The elders were given 180 guilders to make an entertainment for Dom. Lydius. Sums were frequently bestowed upon certain *nootdrufstige* persons. In November the items of expense for burying Guysbert Bastiaen are given.

1707.

Harpert Jacobse and Robert Livingsten were church masters. Jan



Huybertse died in February. He was one of the *nooddrufstige*, and had received various articles of necessity. The following items are given under date of 25th Feb. To Hendrick Oothout for making the coffin, 25:10;  $\frac{1}{4}$  vat good beer, 18*g.*; to David Schuyler for 3 gallons of wine, 30*g.*; 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  gall. rum, 18*g.*; Johannes Lansingh for pipes, 3*g.*; tobacco, 5*g.*; for inviting to the funeral, digging the grave and tolling the bell (*aenspreken graftmaken, en klock luyden*) 36*g.*; total, 235:10. Peter Bronk and Anthony Bogardus were paid 105:15 for making the balcony to the domine's house. Oct. 23, Geertie, wife of Jan Thoorn was buried at the expense of the church masters. Jacob Staets was paid 42*g.* for half a year's rent of his small tenement, occupied by the widow of Patrick Macgregory. The domine was paid 473*g.* on account of his salary. Outlays continued to be made on the domine's house. The name of Shivolet Bogardus is mentioned. The treasury gained more than 500 guilders.

## 1708.

Peter Van Brugh and Jonas Douw officiated this year. June 13, the pastors of the Long Island and New York churches preached here, and a collection of 89*g.* was taken up in the church. A new table cloth for the church cost 192*g.* Johannes Ouderkerck was paid 400*g.* on account of the wife (widow?) of Jan Huybertse. Receipts 3105:10; expenses 2228:10.

## • 1709.

Guysbert Marselis and Goose van Schaick were church masters this year, and commenced business with 13898:17 in the treasury. The burial of Jan Rosie is mentioned at an expense of 183*g.* They were still building the domine's house; yet the balance in the treasury was 14982:14. The signature of Dom. Lydius appears at the close of this year's account for the last time.

## 1710-12.

David Schuyler and Antony Coster in office. Elizabeth Janse and her two children were the principal subjects of alms. In April they paid Domine Du Bois for pastoral services and expenses, 556 guilders. Abram Kuyler was paid 141*g.* for cleaning the church. The accounts run into another year without the customary annual audit. In March, Domine Vas was paid 400*g.* for services. In April £75, or 3000*g.* was paid for a draft on Holland to pay for the call of a new domine. In October Dom. Vos was paid another 400*g.* Johannes van Alen was paid 6*g.* for the passage of Domine Du Bois from Esopus, and Luykes Wyngaert 12*g.* for taking him back. William and Johannes Claessen received 401:10 *voor het maecken van de kerck*, by which it would seem that they had already begun the building of the new church, which was completed three years later. In April Samuel Beyiert and Jan Cruger were paid 1382*g.* on account of Domine Van Driessen, and in June he was paid £22:10*s.*, or 900 guilders. Abram van der Poel paid one year's rent of water for his mill on the Bevers kil, and Daniel Bradt 106*g.* for the use of water for his mill on the same stream (*twec jaer water loop van syn molen*). At the close of the year 1712, these brethren rendered their statement

for three years, receipts 15807:16; expenditures 13029:18. The following names in fac simile are attached to the audit:

Petrus Van Driessen  
 Jacob Staats P. V. D.  
 H. S. Rensselaer  
 J. J. van der Hoopboom  
 Myndert Schuyler  
 Willem Van Deusen  
 Koenraadt ten Eyck  
 Johannes Beekman  
 Rutger Bleecker

These names are Peter Van Driessen, P. V. D., [*Verbi Dei Præco*, preacher of the word of God] Jacob Staats, Hendrik Van Rensselaer, Johannes Roseboom, Myndert Schuyler, William Van Deusen, Conrad Ten Eyck, Johannes Beekman, Rutger Bleecker.

1713.

William Jacobsen Van Deusen and Koenradt ten Eyck, deacons. Abraham De Peyster was paid 420*g.* on a bond to the order of Jacob Sandersen Glen. A poor German was paid 38:17 (*een nodrustyge hoog dytser*).

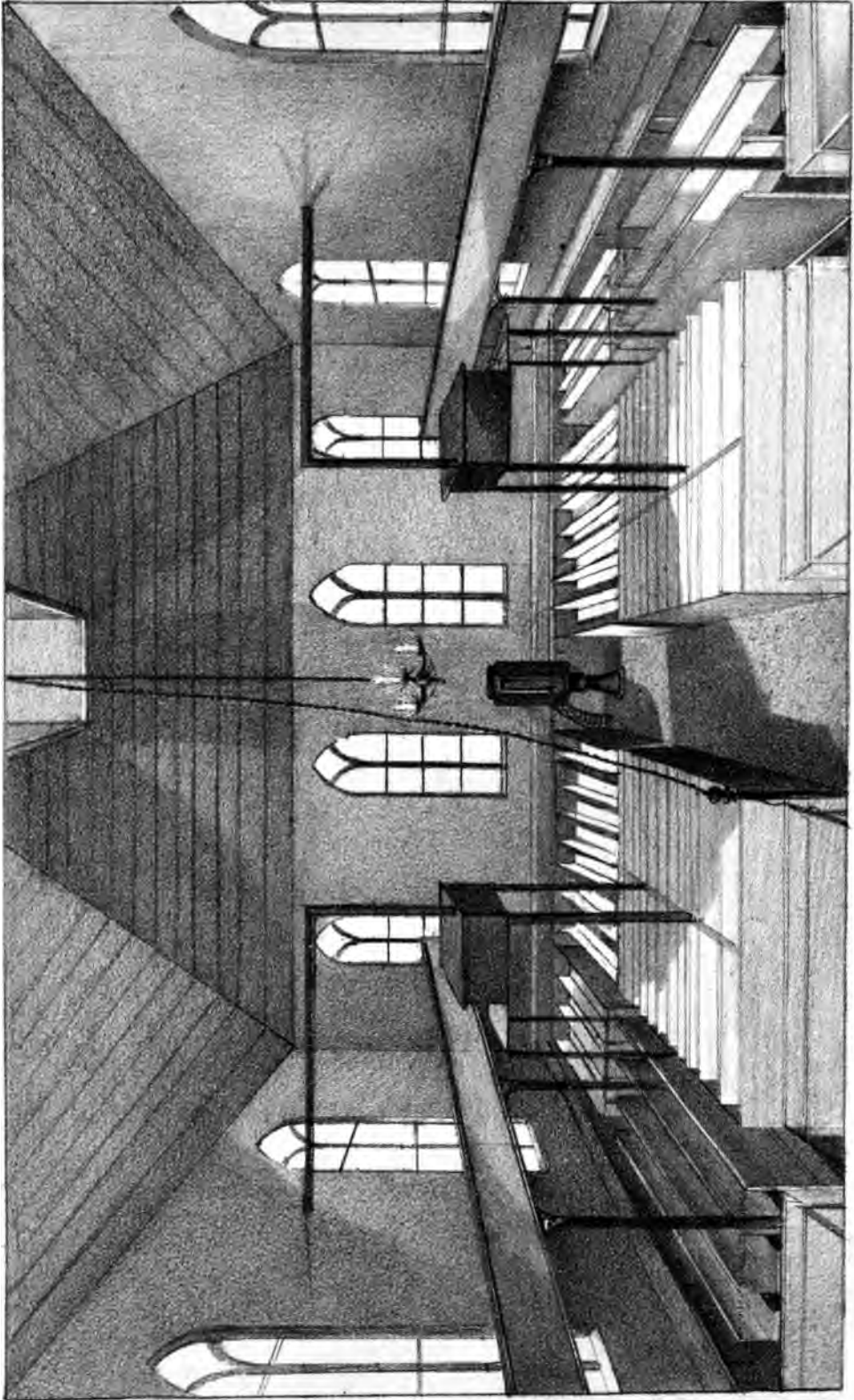
1714.

Johannes Beekman and Rutger Bleecker deacons. Three Palatine women were given 33*g.* (3 *daelderd*). Cornelia Gilbert was paid £6 (240*g.*) for a release of her claim in the pasture. The balance of the expenses of bringing Dom. Van Driessen from Holland were paid. It was stipulated that his salary should be paid in Holland currency.

1715.

Stephanis Groesbeek and Hendrick Douw deacons. The new church was now far advanced, the walls carried up around the old one. It is

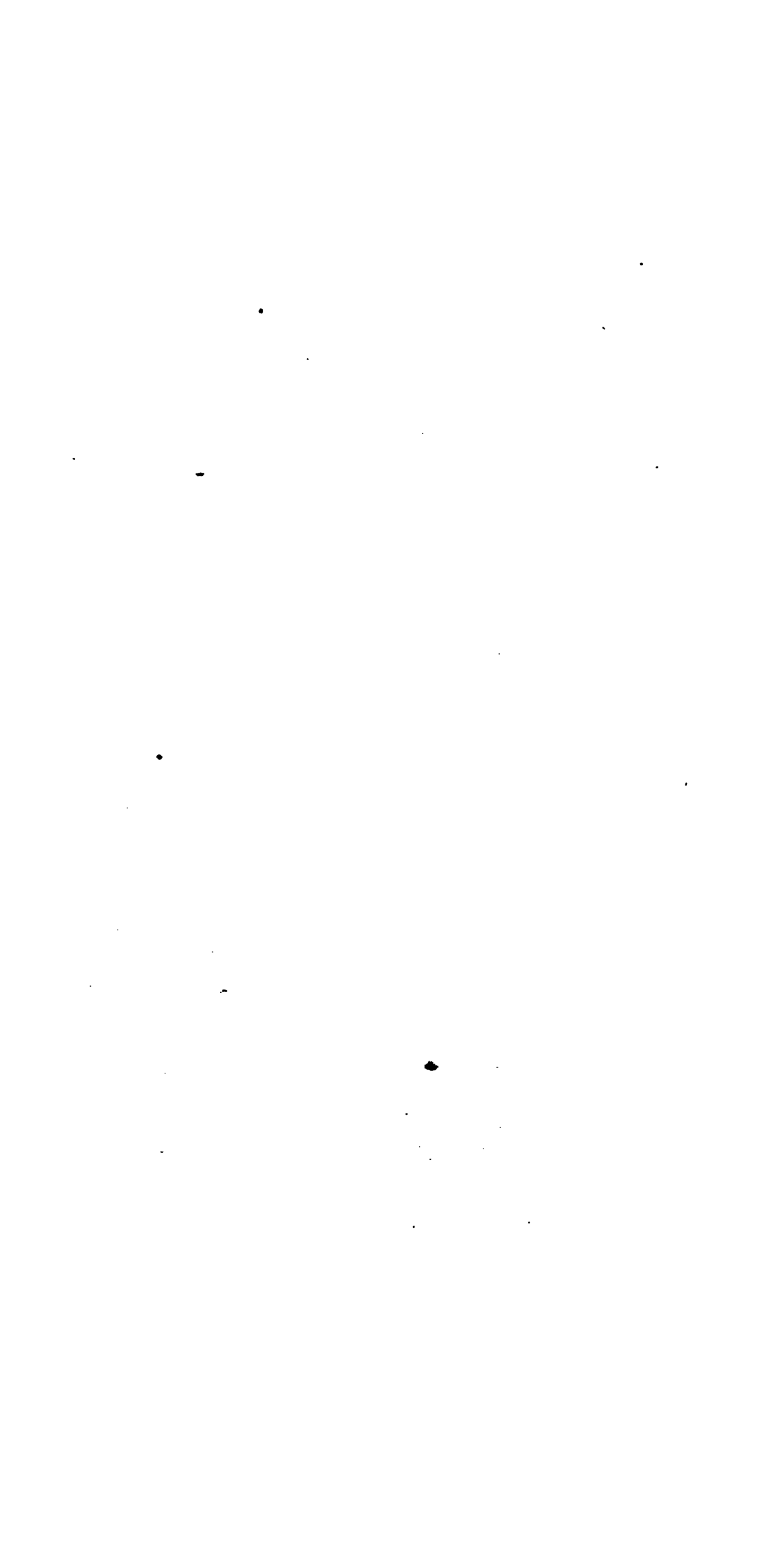
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recorded that no service was held in the afternoon of Sunday the 4th September, on account of the obstructions that surrounded the church. But the services were held on the succeeding five Sundays, and they were suspended on the 16th and 23d of October, while the old church was in process of demolition (*geen kerck gehouden om dat de oude kerk als gebroken wiert*). On the 30th it is mentioned that children were baptized in the new church in the afternoon. It has been mentioned elsewhere that one of these children, the first that was baptized, was the last person for whom the bell was tolled in 1806, the year in which the church was demolished. On the 13th November the new church was consecrated, when a considerable sum was contributed towards its construction (*Is de nieuwen kerck in geweyt en het genen voor en nade middah in quam is gegeven aen de ouderlingen geveve tot vorder op bouwen van de kerck hetwelk was een konse rabele som.*)

At the same time the domine's house was still unfinished, and the poor house had expensive repairs. Nevertheless the deacons delivered over to their successors, Hendrick Ten Eyck and Jacob Lansingh, 6502 guilders and 14 stuyvers, in seawant, the currency of the time, besides bonds to a large amount, for loans made at different times.

Here end the records of the deacons. They serve to fix with certainty the dates of many important events, and to establish other facts of which there remain no other memorials.

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#### SEATINGS OF THE DUTCH REFORMED CHURCH. 1730 TO 1770.

##### *Minutes of the Consistory.*

These Minutes are copied from a Book in the Archives of the First Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, upon the outside of which is the following inscription:

*Memorandum Boeck wegens de Vrouw en Mans Plaatsen in de Kerck en enige Ordie besloten syn Kerkeraade van de Nederduytsche Gereformeerde Kerk in Albany.*

This book consists of the orders of the consistory concerning the burials in the church and the regulation of the pews; also a list of all the persons, male and female, occupying seats in the church, with the numbers of the pews or slips, and the numbers of their seats in the same, as well as the changes which took place in the seatings during a period of about thirty years, it would seem. It is evidently a copy from an earlier record of the same sort; the earliest date in it being 1738, indicating that it was made after that time; and the earliest dates in the second column, which are mostly in a different hand, and are probably the changes that took place after the list was made out, are of 1760. The book was therefore made about this latter date; and the changes cease about 1770. The following is the first entry:

*Copey Uyt Kercke Boeck A.*

Kerckenraad gehouden in Albany den 19 Maart, 1713.

Present	{	Jacob Staats, Johannes Schuyler, Johannes Cuyler, Johannes Roseboom,	} Ouderlinge.	Stephanis Groesbeek, Barent Staats, Rutger Bleeker, Volkert Van Veghten,	} Diakone.
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Bevinden Een Vast Stellinge Van Voorgaende kerkeraede aengaende het Regulement van't begraven van de dooden in de kerk sulx by ons verder overwoogen synde is vast gestelt dat voor Lyke van kinderen tot 10 Jaren sal betaelt werden aen de ouderlinge ten behooive van onse kerk twentigh schellinge, boven de tien Jaren tot vyftien Jaren twee pondt, parsoone boven de vyftien Jaren drie pondt, zynde behalven de kosten tot dood graven en clock luyer en dat alle graave en kisten sullen in vervolgh gestelt werden aen malecander by reegen in goede order gemaakt en dat het sullen syn platte kisten, en belangende de vreemdelinge Sulx wert altyt gelaat aen de kerckmeesters wat de soodaniege sullen betaalen wert verder gerefereert aen opgemelde Resolutie van kerkenraede gemaakt den 11 October, 1716.

Kerckenraad gehouden in Albany, }  
den 20 Maart, 1713. }

*Present*, Jacob Staats, Johan<sup>s</sup> Schuyler, Johan<sup>s</sup> Cuyler, Johan<sup>s</sup> Roseboom, *Ouderlinge*: Stephanes Groesbeek, Barent Staats, Rutger Bleeker, Volkert Van Veghten, *Diakone*.

Synde by voorgaende K: keraade gehouden den 5 December A<sup>o</sup> 1716, overtyt geven van de vrouliede plaats in onse kerk vast gestelt onder anderen dingen dat by het ofsterven of vertreeken van Eenige der selve welke plaatse vergeeven syn der soodanige plaatsen vervallen aen des selfs naast bestaende, mits betaalende twe stuck van achten en behooryk contribuierende tot predecants tractament doch by manquement van sulx voor de tyt van twe Jaaren sullen soodaniegen plaatse vervallen ter dispositie van de ouderlinge als breeder by gemelde resolutie en vast stelling can blycken welker zaak verder nu overwogen synde ten beste. De kerk is vast gestelt dat in plaats van twe Jaren manquement van betaaling als boven het sal voort aen syn Een half Jaer voor soo danigen binnen de lamute van de stadt Resideerende en buyte in de county Een Jaer mits de soo daniege nalaatige voor of Eerst daer van kennisse werde gegeven, verder vast gestelt by desen om disorder voor te komen dat niemant sal vermooge its te maaken ofte timmeren ofte doen maaken of timmeren in de kerk sonder order ofte voorgaende Consent van de E'kerckenraad.

Kerckenraad gehouden in Albany, }  
Den 5 December, 1716. }

*Present*, Pieter Van Brugh, Robert Livingston, jun., Albert Ryckman, Jonas Douw, *Ouderlingen*: Hendrick Ten Eyck, Jacob Lansingh, Johan<sup>s</sup> Van Veghten, Ryer Gerritse, *Diakone*.

Aen teekeninge van de vrouwen En Jonge Dochters haer sitt plaats geven in de nuuwe neder duytsche gereeformerde kerk alhier volgens d resolutie aen de of Staenden zey als meede hoe de plaats verde van tyt tot tyt zyn vergeven volgens de Resolutie.



Then follows the list of pews and the names of the occupants, with the number of the seat which each occupied, and the date when a successor took it. The women's seats came first. Thus, in

Pew No. 1, seat No. 1, the original occupant seems to have been succeeded in 1747 by Geertruy Roseboom, who was followed in 1764 by Geertruy, daughter of Jacob Roseboom, junior. In seat No. 2, the original occupant, whose name does not appear, was succeeded in 1757 by Annatje daughter of Isaac Staats. No. 3 in 1749 was occupied by Elizabeth Simns, who in 1762 resigned it to Annatje, daughter of P. Van Alen. No. 4 was Scharlotte Coeymans, before whose name no date appearing, it is supposed that she was the original sitter; in 1762, she was succeeded by Scharlotte, daughter of Andries Ten Eyck. It may be conjectured that the former died and was succeeded by her niece and namesake. No. 5, the last seat in this pew, was occupied by Elizabeth, vrow of Pieter Lansing, who came into possession of it in 1752, and seems to have continued until this book was disused, about 1770. This is all we have of pew No. 1. If we could locate it on the floor of the church there would be no difficulty in seating the whole church, and pointing out where any of the worshippers had their seats.

The numbering of the seats continues with regularity from 1 to 24, when 56 intervenes that and No. 25, the latter being represented as *van binne uyt*, which is supposed to mean that the entrance to it was on another aisle. The numbers then follow regularly until we arrive at 33 and 34, which are represented as blank. The succession is again regular to 44 and 45 which are said to be *blanck*. They then continue regularly to No. 56, which seems to have been a single seat, while the seat previously designated as 56, between 24 and 25 had 7 seats, an unusual number, all the pews from 1 to 16 inclusive having 5 seats, and from 17 to 24 inclusive having 6. No. 27 has 8; also No. 30. No. 37 has but 5. Then from 38 to 43 inclusive have 6. Nos. 46, 47, 48 have each 5. No. 49 has 6. Nos. 50, 51, 52, 53, 54 have 5. No. 56 which follows is marked in the margin with from 1 to 5, but there is only one name entered, which name is different from any of those written opposite the numbers in pew No. 56 that is placed between Nos. 24 and 25, and must therefore have been a different seat. Nos. 57 and 58 have each 5. No. 59 has 3. Nos. 60 and 61 have 5. No. 64 has 3. Nos. 63 64 have 5. No. 65 has 6. No. 66 has 5. Then follows 86 with 5, then 85 with 4 seats. No. 70 has 5 seats, numbered as 1, 2, 1, 2, 3. No. 71 has 5 seats numbered, and 1 which is said to have been *uyt gewonne by het timmeren van de banke*. No. 72 ditto. No. 80 follows, 5 seats. Then No. 73 with 5 seats, and 1 *uyt gewonne* as before. Then Nos. 75, 76, 77, each 5 seats. No. 78 has 3 seats. Then comes another No. 78, which had been a pew for old men, having 2 numbered and 2 unnumbered seats, and the remark that in 1762 another seat was made in it for Elizabeth Van Sante. No. 79 has 5; also No. 81 which follows. Nos. 82 and 83 have each 6. No. 84 has two numbered, but seems to have had two more placed in it, who were privileged to sit *in 't gemeen*, that is in common, or as it happened or they could agree. Then comes No. 5, the Patroon's pew, occupied by Catharine Van Rensselaer, who had also 3 other seats reserved in the same pew.

No. 6, the first seat, was appropriated to the minister's wife; it had 4 seats. No. 7 had 5. Nos. 8 and 9 had 4. No. 10 had 3. Nos. 11 and 12 had 4. Then follow 8 new pews which seem to have been gained in different parts of the church; 1 of 5 seats behind the deacons; 1 of 5 behind the elders; 1 of 6 opposite Cornelius Cuyler; 1 of 5 between Nos. 54 and 56; one of 5 on the west side of the grand aisle, and 1 on the east side to which but 1 sitting is awarded, although it would seem that there was room for more; 1 of 6 seats between Nos. 85 and 86; and 1 of 5 in the south-east corner. The first change that took place in the sittings of these 8 new seats, was in 1766, by which we know that they were constructed before that year. Two seats were afterwards made, with 6 sittings each, opposite the seats of the elders, and 1 of 4 opposite the deacons, which were to be vacated four times during the year for the purpose of making room for the celebration of the Lord's supper. The whole number of sittings for females was 611.

The men who occupied seats on the ground floor, were the magnates of the city. They sat on the bench along the wall. No. 1, 3 seats, behind the elders, was occupied by the Schuylers. No. 2 had 4 seats. No. 3, occupied by the Livingstons, 4 seats. No. 4 had 15 seats. No. 5 had 8. No. 6 had 9. No. 7, 9. No. 8, 8. No. 9, 6. No. 10, 6. No. 11, 7, occupied by the Van Rensselaers. In all 79 seats. Those who could not procure seats below, and especially the young men and boys, were accommodated with seats in the gallery. The young men succeeded their fathers in the seats below, as the latter were removed by death or emigration. The following seats were on the west side, and seem to have been first occupied in 1754. No. 1, 5 seats. No. 2, 4 seats. No. 3 and 4 blank. Nos. 5 and 6, each 5 seats. Nos. 7 and 8 blank. Nos. 9 and 10, each 5. No. 11, 4. No. 12, 5. No. 13, blank. No. 14, ?, No. 15, 1. On the south side, No. 16, 5. No. 17, 6. Nos. 18 and 19 vacant. Nos. 20, 21, 22, 23, each 6. No. 24 vacant. No. 25, 2. Nos. 26 and 27, each 6. Nos. 28, 29, 30, 31 vacant. No. 32, 3. No. 33 and 34, each 6. No. 35, 4. No. 36 vacant. Nos. 37, 38 and 39, each 6. Total in these two galleries 130. 79 below. In all 209 men

611 women

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820.

We have nothing to indicate a gallery on the east side, except the great number of seats represented as being on the south side. The eastern gallery may have been first constructed and appropriated to the black people, of whom there was a great number. The women were many of them attended by negro servants, particularly in the winter, when they carried foot stoves, containing coals for the purpose of keeping their feet warm. As these coals expired, they were renewed from the stoves which heated the church. The latter were placed on each side of the church, over the side aisles, just beneath and projecting beyond the galleries. They were elevated about 8 feet from the floor, upon 4 upright posts. The koster having finished ringing the bell, standing under the cupola in the middle aisle, wound the end of the rope around a high post standing there for the purpose, and went into the gallery to inspect his fires. The

stoves were approached by climbing over the gallery, on each side. The last sexton was Cornelius Van Schaick. He is represented as having had an exalted appreciation of the dignity of his calling. He did not allow himself to be jostled by any one who passed him while engaged in ringing the bell, without resenting it. He always carried a switch of some kind when he passed through the galleries, and cut right and left with it among the boys. The stove doors were always closed by him with a tremendous bang.

All the aisles but the middle one were narrow. The men below sat upon elevated benches around the wall, with their hats on, and were accustomed to smoke their pipes during sermon time. Those who occupied the first tier of seats in the gallery hung their hats upon nails which studded the whole front of the galleries, presenting a novelty which was rendered more curious by the variety of their style, color and condition. The roof was ceiled with boards upon the rafters, from the walls to the cupola. The entrance was through a porch on the south side, and the entrance to the galleries was made by ascending several steps on the east side of the porch. In this porch the sexton kept his graveyard tools; and there seems to have been an interior door for his use connected with the galleries.

*Minutes of the Consistory.*

171<sup>3</sup>. March 20. Present, Jacob Staats, Johannes Schuyler, Johannes Cuyler, Johannes Roseboom, *elders*; Stephanes Groesbeek, Barent Staats, Rutger Bleecker, Volkert Van Veghten, *deacons*.

Whereas, at a previous meeting of consistory, held on the 5th of December, 1716, to inspect the order of the seats occupied by the women in the church, it was ordained, among other things, that on the death or removal of the occupant of a seat, such seat should fall to her next of kin, upon the payment of two pieces of eight and the customary contribution to the minister's salary; in default of which payments, during a period of two years, the seats would revert to the elders, to be disposed of by them, in manner therein provided; in consideration whereof, it is

Resolved, That instead of an allowance of two years time in which to make payments as aforesaid, there shall be allowed but half a year to those who reside within the city, and one year to those who reside in the country, after due service of notice of the same.

Resolved, That no one whomsoever be allowed to make or cause to be made, any alteration whatever in the seats, without due permission of the consistory.

*List of the women's and girls' seats in the new Dutch Reformed Church in this city, and to whom they have from time to time been transferred, agreeably to resolution.*

No. 1.

- 1747 1 Geertruy Roseboom. 1764 transferred to Geertruy, daughter of Jacob Roseboom, jr.  
 1757 2 Annatje Staats, da. of Isaac Staats.  
 1749 3 Elisabeth Simms. Nov. 29, 1762, to Annatie Van Alen, wife of V. P. Van Alen.

4 Scharlotta Coeymans. 1762 to Scharlotta da. of Andries Ten Eyck.

1752 5 Elisabeth wife of Peter Lansing.

No. 2.

1 Elisabeth Sanders. 1768 to Debora da. of Robert Sanders.

2 Alyda Pruyn.

3 Elsie Roseboom, junior.

4 Sara Vischer. 1764 to Sarah da. of Harmen Vischer.

5 Eghbertje Van Der Heijden. 1767 to Rachell Visgher.

No. 3.

1759 1 Neeltje da. of Will. Hogan.

2 Neeltje Douw, junior.

3 Pieterje Hogan.

1759 4 Ragel wife of Volkert Douw.

1750 5 Cathariena Van Bergen.

No. 4.

1759 1 Maria daughter of Robert Sanders.

1759 2 Catharine " " "

1758 3 Maria Groesbeck.

1747 4 Cathalyntje da. of Jan Van Ness.

1754 5 Elisabeth da. of Gerardus Groesbeeck.

No. 5.

1747 1 Antje wife of Seybrant Van Schajck.

2 Maragrieta Bleecker.

3 Geertruy da. of Johannes Roseboom.

4 Maria wife of Isaac Staats.

1758 5 Sara da. of Seybrant Gerardus Van Schajck

No. 6.

1748 1 Anna Cathariena da. of Sybrant Van Schajck.

2 Elisabeth A. Van Schajck. 1762 to Catrena da. of Wessel Van Schajck.

1750 3 Elisabeth Nicolls.

4 Maria Nicolls. June 10, 1761, to her sister Elisabeth Nicolls.

1749 5 Maria wife of Wessel van Schajck.

No. 7.

1755 1 Jannetje Cuyler.

1759 2 Margrieta wife of Hendrik Van Dyck.

3 Maragrieta Marselus.

4 Alyda Van Den Bergh.

5 Maria Hogan.

No. 8.

1757 1 Sara wife of Johannes Cloet, junior.

2 Alyda Van Schajck.

3 Antje Van Wie. 1760 to Annatje wife of Hendrik H. Van Wie.

- 4 Barber G. Marselus. 1770 to Maria Gysb. Marselus.  
 5 Alyda Schuyler. 1761 Marietje wife of Jan Van Deusen.

No. 9.

- 1 Debora Van Schajck.  
 1747 2 Geertruy D. Van Der Heyden. 1764 to Anna da. of John  
 Yates.  
 1752 3 Eva wife of Johannes M. Roseboom. To Maria da. of Johan-  
 nes Marselus.  
 1749 4 Arejantie P. Wendell. 1770 to Maria wife of David Schott.  
 5 Margrieta Lydius.

No. 10.

- 1 Elisabeth Vinhagen van Oothout.  
 2 Engeltje Wendell. 1770 to Elisabeth wife of Barent Stats.  
 1759 3 Sara wife of Jacobus Perk\* Van Benthuyse.  
 4 Arejantie Ver Planck. 1769 to Elisabeth her daughter. 1770  
 to Arejantie da. of William Ver Plank.  
 5 Rycke Roseboom. 1760 to Catriena wife of Johannes Lansing.

No. 11.

- 1 Ragel De Peyster, now Ten Eyk.  
 2 Geertruy Lansingh.  
 1747 3 Arejaentie Lansingh. 1770 to Geertruy da. of John Jo. Lan-  
 singh  
 1754 4 Anna da. Barent Albertse Bratt. 1760 to Arejaentie wife of  
 Cornelius Van Santfort.  
 5 Anna Van Der Heyden. To Annetie da. of Thos. Williams.

No. 12.

- 1 Grietje Ten Eyck,  
 2 Jannetje Glen. 1764 to Elsje wife of Barent Ten Eyck.  
 3 Ragel Bleecker. 1767 to Maragrita H. Ten Eyck.  
 1748 4 Elsie J. Cuyler, now Ten Eyck. 1764 to Lidia wife of Jacob  
 Cuyler.  
 1757 5 Alida wife of Isaac De Freest.

No. 13.

- 1 Gerretje Ten Eyck. 1766 to Maria wife of Peter Gansevoort.  
 2 Gerretje Ten Eyck, junior.  
 3 Cathariena Coeymans.  
 4 Anna Margrieta Van Schajck. 1763 to Gerretie da. of Peter  
 Gansevoort.  
 5 Elisabeth daughter of Gerrit Bratt.

No. 14.

- 1747 1 Reyke da. of Sybrant Gosen Van Schajck.  
 1754 2 Anna Quackenboss. 1760 to Cattriene wife of Da' Holenbeek.  
 1749 3 Eva, da. of Johannes Beeckman.  
 4 Maria, da. of Ruben Van Veghten.  
 5 Anna, da. of Harmanus Wendell.

## No. 15.

- 1 Hendericke Bogart. 1764, to Catharina, wife of Gerritt Van Ieveren  
 2 Dorothy Bogart.  
 3 Cathariena Bogart.  
 1755 4 Maretje wife of Jacob Lansing. 1767, to her da. Anna.  
 1741 5 Cathariena, da. of Isaac Bogart. 1764 to Catharina Van Driesen.

## No. 16.

- 1 Thuntie Gerritse, now Van Buren.  
 2 Susanna Vischer. 1761, to Geertruy, da. of Isaac Swits.  
 3 Willempie Dou<sup>w</sup>s Bogart.  
 4 Susanna Van Schoonhoven. 1760, to Maria wife of Abraham Fonda.  
 1758 5 Ragel Vischer. 1767, to Alieda Fonda, da. of Abraham Fonda, on condition of its reverting to Ahaswer Roseboom, when he has an heir.

## No. 17.

- 1 Cathariena H<sup>d</sup>. Cuyler. 1767, to Maragreta, da. of H. Bleecker.  
 1751 2 Geertje Jacoba Ten Eyck.  
 1758 3 Geertry, da. of Gerarduss Lansing. 1770, to her mother Maria Lansing.  
 4 Hester Slingerlandt.  
 5 Engeltje Witbeeck. 1763, to Janneke Van Hosen.  
 1747 6 Angenietje G. Van Den Burgh.

## No. 18.

- 1 Amielia Pruyn. 1760 to Amielia Kip.  
 2 Alida Pruyn.  
 3 Annatje Cloet.  
 1747 4 Sara Van Alstien.  
 1759 5 Majeke da. of Harmen Hunn.  
 1751 6 Ragel wife of Cornelius Van Den Bergh. 1762 to Antie, wife of Abram Wemp.

## No. 19.

- 1751 1 Anna Denmolsoon. 1760, Dirke da. of Witt Winne. 1770, to Elisabeth Jn<sup>s</sup>. Knikkerbaker, junior.  
 2 Margrieta Ma<sup>us</sup> Van Der Heyden. 1763, to Angenietje da. Barent Bradt.  
 3 Elisabeth Bratt.  
 1757 4 Neeltje Bradt.  
 1751 5 Elisabeth wife of Abraham Lansing.  
 1769 6 Abiegail Ver Planck, now Lansing by consent.

## No. 20.

- 1 Maria Hansen da. of Benja. Bratt.  
 1759 2 Elisabeth Williams, da. of Thos. Williams, *oude*.  
 3 Engeltje R. Van Veghten.

- 4 Cathariena Gansevoort. 1767, to Magdalena da. of Johannes C. Ten Broeck.  
 5 Susanna Van Ness (Nistigune). 1767 to Femitje da. J. Lansing.  
 6 Jannetje Lansingh. 1762, to Neltie Walderon, da. of Jantie.  
 No. 21.  
 1 Maretje Van Ness. 1763, to Maritie wife of Wi<sup>o</sup> Van Den Bergh.  
 2 Sara Waters.  
 1759 3 Magdalena wife of Hend<sup>k</sup>. Van Ness. 1769 Maria da. of Hendrik Van Ness.  
 4 Cathaliëna wife of Gisbert Van Den Bergh. 1768, to Folkie wife of B. Van Schoohoven.  
 5 Maria Van Den Bergh.  
 1754 6 Antje wife of A<sup>b</sup>. Yates.  
 No. 22.  
 1 Anna Van Schoonhoven. 1762 to Catrena da. of Harme Londerse.  
 1757 2 Jannetje da. of Sa<sup>l</sup> Cregier.  
 1748 3 Cornelia Van Den Bergh  
 4 Jannetje Walderen.  
 5 Abiegel De Forest. 1763, to Susanna wife of Isaac Douwse Fonda.  
 6 Huybertje Lansing.  
 No. 23.  
 1749 1 Maria Lansingh.  
 2 Elisabeth Van Veghten, now Viele. 1762, to Elesbet Cnicerbacker, da. of Wouter.  
 3 Maria wife of Jo. Van Den Bergh.  
 4 Altje wife of Douwes Fonda.  
 1759 5 Geertruy wife of Philip Muller.  
 6 Rebecka da. of Myndert Marselus.  
 No. 24.  
 1 Neeltje Knickerbacker. 1769, to Elisabeth da. of Peter de Wandelaer.  
 1751 2 Anna Van Veghte now Wandelaer.  
 3 Cathalientje wife of Barent Van Buren, junior.  
 1748 4 Maria wife of Jacob P. Bogart.  
 5 Maria da. of Isaac Fonda. 1760, to Alyda da. of Will. Lieverse.  
 1747 6 Jannetje Ouderkerck.  
 No. 56.  
 1 Anna wife of Volkert P. Douw.  
 1752 2 Anna da. of " "  
 1758 3 Cathariëna wife of A<sup>b</sup>. Lansing.  
 4 Arejaentje Wendell, junior.  
 5 Maria Roseboom. 1764 Maria da. of Hendrick M. Roseboom.  
 1758 6 Anna Nicolls.

- 7 Jannetje Witbeeck. 1768, to Geertruy wife of Hendrick Van Burèn.

## No. 25.

Van Binne uyt. (Query, Entrance in another aisle?)

- 1 Anna Staats, now Rorebagh.  
 1752 2 Elisabeth Myndert Veeder, (Normanskill). 1767, to Susana wife of Johannes Roseboom.  
 3 Alyda Seyb. Van Schajck. 1770, Maria, Syb'. Go. Van Schajck's daughter.  
 1753 4 Elsie da. of Joachim Staats.  
 1759 5 Neeltje wife of Volkert Gys<sup>b</sup>. Van Den Bergh.  
 1749 6 Elisabeth Van Schelluyne. 1769, to Ryckje Roseboom.

## No. 26.

- 1758 1 Femetje Swits. 1764, to Maria, da. of Cornelis Swits.  
 2 Anna Bleecker. 1767, to Annatje Bleecker, her daughter.  
 3 Geertruy Wendell.  
 1759 4 Christiena Van Bergen.  
 1752 5 Elisabeth da. of Peter Van Bergen.  
 6 Susanna Wendell. 1764 to Francyntie da. John Wendell.

## No. 27.

- 1 Geertie Johs. Bleecker. 1768 to Jannecke da. of Johs. Bleecker.  
 1748 2 Geertruy Schuyler, her daughter.  
 1758 3 Jannetje da. of Abr. Th. Witbeck.  
 1752 4 Geertruy da. of Joh<sup>s</sup>. Joh. Lansing. 1769 to Geertruy da. of Peter Lansing.  
 5 Annatje Witbeck, wife of Abraham.  
 6 Angenietje Schott.  
 7 Anna Margrieta Ten Eyck.  
 1748 8 Cornelia Williams.

## No. 28.

- 1739 1 Susanna wife of Hendrick Hallenbeck.  
 2 Tryntje Briess. 1760, to Neeletje Briess.  
 3 Lena Vischer. 1767, to Maritie wife of Jacob Lansingh. 1768, to Geertruy Beekman by order of Jacob Lansingh.  
 4 Annatje Beekman.  
 1750 5 Maria wife of Will. Winne.  
 6 Eva Bleecker.

## No. 29.

- 1 Anna Gerritse. 1764 to Maria da. of Isaac Greveraat.  
 2 Maria Swits.  
 3 Leena Lansing. To Leena, widow of Andries Van Wie.  
 1749 4 Juedike da. of Joseph Yates.  
 5 Cathariena Lansing. 1760, to Cathariena da. of Evert Lansingh.  
 6 Annatie da. of Barnardus Harsen.



No. 30.

- 1759 1 Maria wife of Cornelius Muller.  
1747 2 Rabecka wife of Johannes Yates.  
3 Dircke Gerritse.  
1759 4 Jannetje wife of Wouter N. Groesbeeck.  
1748 5 Antje Van Den Bergh.  
1748 6 Hilletje Van Antwerpen.  
7 Dircke Van Vrancke.  
8 Elisabeth wife of Eghbert Bratt.

No. 31.

- 1 Annatje wife of Evert Lansing. 1769, to Ragel Van Deusen.  
2 Cornelia Bratt.  
3 Cornelia De Forest. 1762, to Alida da. of Isaac Isaacs Fonda.  
4 Maria Wyngaert. 1764, to Hester widow of Harmen Vissher.  
1751 5 Wyntje da. of Volkert Van Den Bergh.  
6 Neeltje De Forest.

No. 32.

- 1 Antje Van Den Bergh. 1766, to Anna da. of Johannes Smith.  
2 Jannetje Bogart.  
3 Maria Spoor. 1762 to Maria da. of John Donnewyn.  
4 Cathariena Van Woert.  
5 Margrieta Ryckse. 1767, to Sussa Ouderkerck.  
6 Maria Wyngaert, Junior.

Nos. 33 and 34 Blank.

No. 35.

- 1 Margrieta Livingston.  
2 Cathariena Van Rensselaer, now Schuyler.  
1747 3 Margrieta Van Rensselaer. 1762, to Gertruy wife of Johannes Van Rensselaer.  
1758 4 Maria da. of Peter Lansing.  
5 Margrieta Collins. 1761, to Neeltje Schuyler.  
6 Elisabeth R. Bleecker.

No. 36.

- 1748 1 Alyda Ten Eyck.  
2 Maria da. of Cornelius Van Den Bergh.  
1748 3 Neeltje Van Veghte. 1766, to Jantie wife of Volkert Van Veghten.  
4 Geertruy Beeckman. 1768, to Eevea wife of A. Schuijller.  
5 Hester Van Der Heyden.  
6 Johanna Marselus.

No. 37.

- 1757 1 Susanna, da. of Maria Hogan.  
2 Maria Van Schajck.  
3 Margrieta H. Ten Eyck.  
4 Geertje Ten Eyck.  
5 Margrieta Ten Broeck.

## No. 38.

- 1 Arejaentje Lansing.
- 2 Hesse Beeckman. 1770 to Hesije wife of Jacob Roseboom, Junger.
- 3 Leena Gansevoort.
- 4 Cathariena wife of Johannes Jacob Lansing.
- 5 Elisabeth wife of Joachim Staats.
- 6 Angenietje Witbeeck. 1770 to Margrita Marselus.

## No. 39.

- 1 Hester Van Schelluyn. 1764, to Sarah wife of Harmen Vissher. 1769 to Dirckje wife of Jacob Fonda.
- 1752 2 Cathariena da. of Johannes J. Lansing.
- 1759 3 Maretje wife of Petrus Van Den Bergh.
- 4 Maretje Hilton. 1760 to Rabecka wife of A. Bratt. 1768 to Antie Santfort.
- 1748 5 Judicke da. of Johannes Van Buren.
- 6 Eytie Van Buren.

## No. 40.

- 1759 1 Jannetje wife of Johannes Pruyn.
- 1759 2 Annatje da. of Teunis Slingerlandt. 1764 to Geesje wife of John Viele. 1767 to Gertruy J<sup>c</sup>. Hansen.
- 3 Cornelia Ryckman, now Prise.
- 4 Cathariena wife of Abm. Lansing Hunberrege.
- 5 Cornelia Dunbaar.
- 1752 6 Maria wife of Johannes Mynderse.

## No. 41.

- 1 Hilletie De Ridder.
- 2 Geertruy wife of Roliff Van Der Werken. 1762 to Rabeka wife of Abram Slingerlandt.
- 3 Maria wife of Tuenis Viele.
- 4 Cathariena wife of Jan Bratt.
- 1751 5 Dircke da. of Killejaen Winne.
- 6 Sara wife of Marte Winne.

## No. 42.

- 1 Ragel Redliff.
- 1753 2 Huybertje da. of J. J. Yates. 1764 Sara wife of Lucas Yates. 1768, to Marregrte wife of J. Van Santee.
- 1751 3 Annetje wife of Lambert Redliff. 1768, Annatie wife of Antoine Flensburgh.
- 4 Antje wife of Gerrit Van Sante.
- 1757 5 Jacomyne wife of Peter Bratt.
- 1759 6 Annatje wife of Isaac Jacob Lansing, (mote).

## No. 43.

- 1 Geertruy Van Den Bergh.
- 1751 2 The church, Dec. 18.
- 1757 3 Maria C. Van Den Bergh.

- 4 Jacomya Maase.
- 5 Dircke Van Woert. 1769 to Maria Fasia, her son's da.
- 6 Annatje Eghmond.

Nos. 44, 45, Blank.

No. 46.

- 1 Elisabeth da. of Cornelius Cuyler. 1760, to Maria da. of John Ja. Beeckman.
- 2 Elsie da. of Corns. Cuyler. 1761, to Elisabeth wife of James Van Cortland. 1765, to Cathalina da. of Philip Cuyler.
- 3 Margrieta Schuyler.
- 1759 4 Margrieta da. of Corns. Cuyler. 1765, to Elisabeth Roseboom. 1768, to Cathalina da. of A. Cuyler, junior.
- 5 Elisabeth Van Der Heyden.

No. 47.

- 1759 1 Hilletje da. of Peter Williams.
- 2 Cathariena, da. of Cornelius Ten Broeck.
- 3 Cathalya Van Den Bergh.
- 1748 4 Margrieta Hunn.
- 1747 5 Cathariena da. of Christopher Abeel. 1770 to Ebbetje Jacobes Abeel.

No. 48.

- 1752 1 Elisabeth wife of Abraham H. Wendell. 1760 to Annatje his da. 1770 to Sanneke his da.
- 1757 2 Cathariena da. of Anna Wendell. 1763 to Annatje da. of Gisbt. Marselus. 1768 to Sanneke wife of Isaac Truax.
- 3 Maria da. of Gysbert Roseboom.
- 4 Elsie G. Roseboom. 1770, to Cathalya Mebie.
- 5 Geesje da. of Anna Wendell.

No. 49.

- 1745 1 Maria da. of Gerrit Van Den Bergh.
- 2 Margrieta Van Den Bergh.
- 3 Sara Stevenson. 1764 to Barber, wife of Hendrick J. Bogert.
- 4 Cathariena Bratt.
- 5 Wynthje Briess.
- 6 Maghtel wife of Gerrit A. Lansing. 1761, to Neltie da. of Gerrit Staats.

No. 50.

- 1754 1 Lydia da. of Ephraim Van Veghten. 1766, to Chrijstentie wife of Harminis Schuyler.
- 2 Maria Douw.
- 3 Anna Wendell.
- 4 Neeltje da. of Jacob Ten Eyck.
- 5 Margrieta Cuyler. 1767, to Catharina wife of Jacob Van Schaick.

## No. 51.

- 1 Engeltje Lansing.  
 1759 2 Cathalina da. of Jacob P. Bogart. 1765 to Annatje da. of Jan.  
           Gerritse Yates.  
 1753 3 Elisabeth da. of Claas Fonda.  
 4 Cathariena Marselus. 1770, Barber Tunis, H. Visher.  
 1750 5 Maria wife of Eghbert B. Eghbertse.

## No. 52.

- 1 Susanna Hogan.  
 2 Alida da. of David Van Der Heyden.  
 1751 3 Cathariena Van Den Bergh. 1760, to Maria da. of Willem  
           Groesbeeck. 1770 to Jannetje Gerrit Groesbeck.  
 1759 4 Cornelia wife of Patrick Clarke.  
 1748 5 Rabecka Fonda.

## No. 53.

- 1748 1 Angenietje wife of Frans Winnc. 1760 to Cathariena his da.  
 2 Cathariena Roseboom. 1761 to Maria wife of Abraham Ver-  
           plank.  
 3 Willempie Bratt, now Santfort.  
 4 Maria Luek, now Van Wie.  
 1759 5 Elisabeth wife of Peter D. Schuyler. 1769 to Anna da. of  
           Philip Lansing.

## No. 54.

- 1 Annatje Van Sante.  
 2 Maria wife of Z. Wyngaert. 1770 to Maria da. of John Davids.  
 3 Elisabeth Davids da. of Z<sup>h</sup>. Wyngaert.  
 4 Alyda wife of Volkert Van Hoesen.  
 1760 5 Maghdelena da. of Johannes Spoor.

## No. 55.

- 1 Cathariena Groesbeeck.  
 2 Anna da. of Jacob H. Ten Eyck. 1762 to Catrena da. of Philip  
           Defreest.  
 3 Geertruy Switts. 1762 to Maria wife of C. Van Den Bergh.  
   Paid to John Cuyler 29 Dec. 1757, having been transferred by  
   mistake to the negro women's seat.  
 4 Catrena wife of Gerret Viele.

## No. 56.

- 1 Cathariena Van Der Poel.  
 3 [This No. 56 is a duplicate, and the footing in the  
 4 Original Book would be correct without this seat,  
 5 but incorrect with it, that is 290 seats.]

## No. 57.

- 1747 1 Maria da. of Robt. Lansing, now Wendell.  
 1752 2 Elsie, da. of Gysbt. Roseboom.  
 1747 3 Machtel J. Roseboom.

- 4 Elisabeth Bassett. 1768, to Marretie wife of Abraham Boogart.  
5 Jannetje Ten Eyck.

No. 58.

- 1 Effie Beeckman.  
2 Maria D. Schuyler. 1769, to Debora, da. of J<sup>c</sup>. Jas. Beeckman.  
1759 3 Cathalya da. of Christopher Abeel.  
4 Alyda Greveraat. 1769 to Maria da. of Samuel Pruyn.  
1746 5 Debora wife of Gerrit Staats. 1769 to Debora da. of G. Staats.

No. 59.

- 1749 1 Angenietje Van Veghte. 1762, to Helena widow of Gerrit  
Tunse Van Veghte.  
1758 2 Dorathe da. of Hend<sup>k</sup>. Bogart.  
3 Engeltje Van Schaack, now Bogart. 1764, to Janetie da. of  
Hendrick Bogart.

No. 60.

- 1 Elsie Douw da. of Abraham.  
2 Marytie Winne. 1762, Margrietie da. of Abraham Douw.  
3 Geertje Van Den Bergh. 1761, to Catharina wife of Harmen  
Liverse.  
1753 4 Sara da. of Harmen Gansevoort.  
5 Elsie wife of Philip Lansingh.

No. 61.

- 1 Marietje Pruyn. 1766 to Cathalina wife of Jan Winne.  
2 Anna Bogardus. 1762, to Wintie her da.  
1747 3 Engeltje Walderen.  
4 Cathariena Bratt.  
1759 5 Jannetje wife of Jacobus Clement.

No. 62.

- 1 Maria wife of Dirck Heimstraat.  
2 Cathariena Bogardus. 1762, to Cornelia Bogardus her sister.  
1751 3 Neeltje da. of Jesse De Foreest.

No. 63.

- 1 Maria wife of Renier Van Alstien.  
1759 2 Maria wife of Wouter Groesbeeck. 1770 to Cathalyn Anthony  
Groesbeeck.  
1751 3 Cathalya wife of Jan. Winne. 1766, to Peterje da. of Johan-  
nes Samuel Pruyn.  
1748 4 Liedya Liverse.  
5 Cornelia Cooper.

No. 64.

- 1747 1 Janneke Van Alen.  
1748 2 Arejantie Van Rensselaer. 1769 to Catheriena da. of Cilleyan  
Van Renselaer.  
3 Marietje da. of Peter D. Winne. 1764 to Ragel da. of Petrus  
Douw. 1768, to Magdalena da. of Folcaert Douw.

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- 4 Catharina wife of Gerrit Van Alen. 1764 to Mariete da. of Gerrit Van Alen.
- 5 Ragel wife of Peter D. Winne.

## No. 65.

- 1 Elsie Gerritse Lansingh. 1767, to Lena da. of Jacob Lansingh, conditioned that it should be given up if the former returned to reside here again.
- 2 Elisabeth Ostrander.
- 1759 3 Dorathe da. of Hendricke Halenbeeck. 1768, Sara Frijer da. of John Frijer.
- 1748 4 Elisabeth Knickerbacker. 1762, to Annatie Van Veghte her daughter.
- 5 Maria wife of Philip Dav<sup>s</sup>. De Forest.
- 1764 6 Hester wife of Gerrit Van Santen, junior.

## No. 66.

Catharina, wife of Harmanus Wendell.

- 1 Cathalya Van Ness.
- 2 Geertruy wife of Philip Hansen.
- 3 Elisabeth Groesbeeck junior. 1755, to Ragel wife of Flip de Freest. 1770, Catharina Andrias Douw.
- 1748 4 Anna da. of Thomas Sharp.
- 5 Maria Gansevoort. 1763 to Annatie da. of Harmen Gansevoort.

## No. 86.

*On the East Side.*

- 1 Hester Dirckse. 1761, to Ragel wife of Ben. Winne.
- 2 Barber Sharp.
- 1751 3 Jannetje da. of Matth. Vanderzee, now Swart.
- 4 Judeke Hylton.
- 5 Eghbertje De Garmo.

## No. 85.

- 1 Antje Hilton. 1761, to Arreantie wife of Robert Cranel.
- 1760 2 Catharina wife of James Redlif. 1770, to Margrita Jn<sup>o</sup>. Redlif Sexton.
- 1761 3 Elisabeth wife of Teunis Van Woert.
- 1761 4 Margrita wife of Joh<sup>s</sup>. [?] Van Der Heyden.

## No. 70.

- 1 Cathalya Yates.
- 2 Cathalya Yates, jr.
- 1 Anna Van Vranke wife of Mass Ryckse. 1762 to Maria wife of Rutger Van Den Bergh.
- 2 Maria wife of Ryckert Van Vrancke. 1761 to her da. wife of Pieter Bogert Junior.
- 3 Sara Gardenier.

No. 71.

- 1 Annatje Mershel.  
 2 Rebecka De Foreest.  
 1757 3 Christiena da. of Rykert Van Vranke.  
 4 Jannetje Van Vrancke.  
 5 Jennet Mertin.  
 Majeke wife of Gose Van Schaick. This seat was gained by altering the pew.  
 [These three entries were made in the book at a subsequent day in a different hand: in pews Nos. 71, 72 and 73. J. M.]

No. 72.

- 1 Cathariena wife of Schebolet Bogardus.  
 2 Engeltje Walderen. 1760 to Tryntje Van Wie.  
 3 Geertruy Kiddene.  
 4 Magdalena Luck, wife of Joh<sup>s</sup>. Van Wie.  
 5 Maria Van Hagen.  
 Maragrieta Wyngard. Deese plats nyt gewonne by het timmeren van de Banke.

No. 80.

*On the West Side of the Door.*

- 1757 1 Gerritje, wife of Adam Winne.  
 1758 2 Fietje, wife of Gelles Winne.  
 3 Hannatje Lansing.  
 4 Wyntje Van Yeveren.  
 5 Hendrick Van Wie's wife. 1761 to Maria wife of Johannes Ja. Lansing.

No. 73.

- 1758 1 Fytje, wife of Jacob Jellis De Garmo.  
 2 Hytje Schredel. 1766, to Margrieta da. of Jacob Van Woert.  
 1757 3 Judeke, da. of Lukas Hoghkerck.  
 1757 4 Ansia van Arrelem wife of Rykert Van Vranke.  
 1759 5 Margrieta wife of Thomas Cooper.  
 Barent Vosburgh's wife. This seat gained by altering the pew.

No. 75.

- 1 Anna Quackenboss. 1764, to Margrita wife of Hendrick Quackenboss.  
 2 Jannetje, wife of Joh<sup>s</sup>. V. Douw.  
 3 Sara Groesbeeck. 1760, to Alida da. of Jacobus Groesbeeck.  
 1759 4 Jannetje da. of Daniel Bratt.  
 5 Rebecka Bratt, widow.

No. 76.

- 1 Cathariena B<sup>d</sup>. Harsen. 1766, to Elisabeth wife of Jacob Ja. Van Woert.  
 2 Annatie wife of Hans Kloet. 1762, to Annatie, da. of Joh<sup>s</sup>. Cloet. 1770, to Seveyija Veeder.  
 3 Marretje Pruyn Junior. 1760 to Elisabeth wife of Isaac Van Arhem.  
 4 Cathalya Van Ness. 1762, to Alyda da. of Hendrick Bratt.  
 5 Leena Ouderkerck.

## No. 77.

- 1751 1 Sara da. of Benj<sup>m</sup>. Winne.  
 2 Cathalya Wyn<sup>s</sup>. Van Den Bergh.  
 3 Rebecka Bratt, wife of Hendrick Bratt.  
 4 Cathalya Witbeeck.  
 5 Annatje Knickerbacker.

## No. 78.

- 1 Maria wife of Anth<sup>o</sup>. Egh<sup>r</sup>. Bratt. 1767, to Maria da. of Peter Yates.  
 2 Susanna wife of Gerrit Van Vrancke.  
 3 Jannetje wife of Step<sup>h</sup>. Van Schaack.

## No. 78.

*An Old Men's Pew.*

In 1762 a seat was made in this pew for Elisabeth da. of Johannes Van Sante.

- 1 Hester, wife of Gerrit Van Sante. 1764, to Majeke Van Ness, widow, da. of Volkert Van Den Bergh [?]  
 2 Rabecka wife of Gysebert Van Sante.  
 Anna da. of Johannes L. Redlief.  
 Rabecka wife of David Van Antwerpen.

## No. 79.

- 1 Eva Hogan.  
 2 Annatje A. Van Schajck. 1763, to Elsie da. of Harmanus Schuyler.  
 1757 3 Sara wife of Joh<sup>s</sup>. J. Wendell.  
 4 Sara wife of Marte Mynderse.  
 1754 5 Elisabeth Hend<sup>k</sup>. Cuyler.

## No. 81.

- 1788 1 Sara, wife of Johannes H. Ten Eyck. 1761, to Margrita da. of Ja. H. Ten Eyck. 1763, to Catharine da. of John Livingston.  
 1754 2 Margrieta da. of Gerardus Groesbeeck.  
 3 Else da. of Hendrick Roseboom. 1765, to Leja wife of C. Van Duese.  
 1747 4 Cathalya wife of Gysbert Marselus.  
 1758 5 Elsie da. of Jacob Jab. Lansing.

## No. 82.

- 1759 1 Arejaentje wife of Myndert Van Jeveren.  
 2 Ragel Ver Planck.  
 1757 3 Cathalya Davids Groesbeeck. 1766 to Maria da. of Casparus Pruyn.  
 4 Maria Johannes De Foreest.  
 5 Machtel Vischer.  
 1769 6 Anna da. of Cornelius W. Vandenbergh. (Deese plats nyt gewonne by het timmeren van de banke).

## No. 83.

- 1749 1 Geese da. of Simon Veeder, now Staats.



- 1759 2 Lena da. of Barent H. Ten Eyck.  
 3 Anna Janse Van Ness, now Van Der Zee.  
 4 Else wife of Harmen Hunn.  
 1757 5 Maria da. of Hendrick M. Roseboom. 1760, to Debora Van  
 Everen, da. of George Vielding.  
 1769 6 Annatje wife of Evert Lansing. This seat was gained by an  
 alteration of the pew.

No. 84.

- 1 Cathariena Dunbar.  
 2 Jannetje Lansing.  
 Annatje Veeder.  
 Hesse Reijckman. These in common.

No. 5.

*The Patroon's Pew.*

- 1764 1 Catharina Van Rensselaer, patrooness.  
 2 3, 4, reserved for her.

No. 6.

- 1 Wife of the preacher for the time being.  
 2 Cathalina, wife of Seymon Job. Veeder. 1768, to Jannetje,  
 wife of Robert Iests, conditioned that it should be resigned  
 at the demand of Seymon I. Veeder or one of his sons.  
 1759 3 Jannetje da. of Jacob Glen.  
 1752 4 Margrieta da. of Dirck Ten Broeck. 1761, to Elisebet wife of  
 Abram Ten Broeck.

No. 7.

- 1746 1 Maria wife of Cornelis Ten Broeck.  
 1755 2 Christiena Van Schajck.  
 3 Sara Hansen.  
 4 Cathariena Livingston. 1761, to Sara wife of Johannes H.  
 Ten Eyck.  
 1748 5 Cathariena wife of Jacob C. Ten Eyck.

No. 8.

- 1 Cathariena Beeckman. 1760, to Eva wife of Johannes M.  
 Roseboom.  
 1749 2 Maria Cuyler. 1768, Margretha wife of Abraham N. Cuyler.  
 3 Maria wife of Hendrick M. Roseboom.  
 4 Charlotte Amielia Coeymans.

No. 9.

- 1 Cathariena Hansen.  
 2 Annatje Douw.  
 1788 3 Catharina Douw.  
 4 Helena Wendell.

No. 10.

- 1 Cathariena Cuyler.  
 2 Anna Jacobse Ten Eyck.  
 3 Elisabeth Glen.

No. 11.

- 1 Maria Livingston. 1768, to Ragel, da. of P. Douw.

- 1757 2 Maria Livingston, junior. 1768 to Annatje, da. of I. Cuyler.  
 3 Elsie da. of Hendrick Roseboom. 1768, to Eeesebet Roseboom.  
 4 Majeke Coeymans.

No. 12.

- 1758 1 Lena, wife of Barent A. Ten Eyck.  
 2 Cathariena da. of Jacob Wendell.  
 3 Geertruy da. of Cornelia Schuyler. 1762, to Catrena, wife of  
 Cornelus Swits.  
 1746 4 Cornelia Schuyler. 1762, to Geertruy, wife of Dr. Cachem.  
 1769, to Geertruy wife of Peter P. Schuyler.

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- No. 1. New Pew behind the Deacons.  
 Geertruyt, wife of David Van Der Heyden.  
 Ragel, da. of Volkert P. Douw.  
 Lidia, da. of Volkert Douw.  
 Lidia, wife of Pieter Ryckman.  
 Kathalina, wife of Hendrick Bleecker, Jun.  
 These seats were occupied by them indiscriminately.
- No. 2. New Seat behind the Elders.  
 Alida Schuyler.  
 Heffie da. of Jannetie Cuyler.  
 Sara wife of Jan Van Buren.  
 Angenietie wife of Gerrit Van Den Bergh.  
 Alida wife of Gerrit W. Van Den Berg.  
 These five seats were occupied in common.
- No. 3. New Seat opposite the Pew of Cornelis Cuyler.  
 Barber, wife of Harmanus I. Wendell.  
 Elizeth wife of Thomas Hun.  
 Margrieta da. of Jacob H. Ten Eyck.  
 Eva, wife of Abraham Schuyler. 1768, to Annatie Egberse,  
 by consent of Eva Schuyler.  
 Geertruy, da. of Harmanus Wendell.  
 Maria da. of Volkert A<sup>m</sup>. Douw.  
 These sittings occupied in common.
- No. 4. New bench between No. 54 and No. 56.  
 Sara, wife of John G. Lansing.  
 Engeltie wife of Bastiaen Vissher.  
 Kathalina wife of Tunis Brat.  
 Janetie wife of Daniel Winne.  
 Marietie, wife of Anthony E. Brat. 1767, to Petertie Bradt.  
 These seats in common.
- No. 5. Catharina wife of Ben. Goewy.  
 Lena wife of Maes I. Bloemendal.  
 Elisabeth wife of Chris<sup>n</sup>. Heegeman. 1766, to Anneke, wife  
 of Frans K. Winne.  
 Jannetje, wife of Daniel K. Winne.  
 Margrieta da. of James Adams.

These 5 seats occupied by the above indiscriminately, on the west side of the Broad aisle.

No. 6. Geertie wife of Abram Vos. 1768, to Annatie, wife of Willem Van den Bergh.

These seats in common, on the east side of the broad aisle.

No. 7. New Slip between No. 85 and 86 on the east side.

1764 Catharina wife of Abram Vinhagen.  
Geertruy, da. of John Vinhagen.  
Geertruy, wife of Conraet Luek.  
Bata, wife of Thomas D. Hun.  
Elizabeth, wife of Chris. Hegerman.  
Catharina, wife of Johannes D. Hun.  
The above 6 sat indiscriminately.

No. 8. New Pew, South East corner, behind Cathalya Yeats.

1764 Bata, wife of Wouter Quackenbos. 1770, to Benjamin Rom-  
blye.  
Janetie, wife of Volokert Van Vechten. 1766, Ragel, wife of  
Jacob Loek.  
Alida, wife of Gerrit I. Vissher.  
Susanah Ryckman.  
Annatje Van Vechte.  
The above five seats in common.

The following women folk have taken seats in the first pew,  
opposite that of the Elders, agreeing to relinquish it four  
times a year on occasion of celebrating the Lord's Supper.

Geertruy Van Rensselaer.  
Catriena Schuyler.  
Margrieta Livingston.  
Maria Lansingh.  
Nellie Schuyler.  
Elisabeth Bleecker.

The following women have purchased seats in the pew next to  
the new pew opposite that of the Elders, and occupy them in  
common:

Janietie Sylvester.  
Maria Van Rensselaer.  
Elisabeth Glen.  
Catriena Douw.  
Catriena Bleecker.  
Lena, da. of Johannes Lansingh.

The following women have hired seats in the new pew opposite  
that of the Deacons, with the understanding that they shall  
be vacated four times a year, for the Lord's Supper; and to  
sit in common.

Catriena Fielen.  
Maria Lansingh.

Margrieta Neckols.  
Elizabeth Van Schelluynne.

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Concerning the Men's Seats hereafter mentioned, whenever any one of them is vacated by death, it shall descend to the eldest son of the last occupant living in the county; and in default of sons, to a son-in-law; and in default of sons-in-law, to an own brother: always descending successively to own sons; and if there be no sons or they shall be absent, then to sons-in-law; and in default of sons-in-law, then to own brothers; the first occupant paying thirty shillings for his seat, and his successor fifteen shillings for transferring the same, in behalf of the Reformed Dutch Church of Albany. Every seat-holder shall be holden and in honor bound to contribute to the minister's salary in proportion to his circumstances. No person living out of the county shall be entitled to a seat; and in default of a successor, or of any of the requirements herein expressed, seats shall revert to the church.

Witness our hands and seals this 31st Dec., 1719.

JACOB STAATS,	STEPHANUS GROESBEECK,
JOHANNES SCHUYLER,	BARENT STAATS,
JOHANNES CUYLER,	RUTGER BLEECKER,
JOHANNES ROSEBOOM,	VOLCKERT VAN VEGHTEN,
<i>Elders.</i>	<i>Deacons.</i>

MEN'S PEWS.

*Commencing Back of the Elders.*

No. 1.

- 1758 1 Stephen, son of Pieter Schuyler.  
1754 2 Thomas Schuyler. 1764, to Abram Cuyler, son of Nicholaes Cuyler.  
3 Peter Schuyler. 1765, to his son Philip Schuyler.

No. 2.

- 4 John De Peyster, on the north side, No. 3.  
1755 5 Myndert Schuyler Ten Eyck.  
6 John Livingston. 1768, to Dirck Ten Broeck.  
1747 7 Robert Van Rensselaer.

No. 3.

- 1757 8 Walter Livingston. 1768, to Harmen Gansefort.  
9 Robert Livingston. 1768, to Hendrick Van Dyck.  
10 Robert Livingston, junior. 1768, to Philip Lansing.  
11 Peter R. Livingston. 1768, to Jacob C. Ten Eyck.

No. 4.

- 12 Gerrit Gerritse Lansingh.  
13 Marta Gerritse Petruse Van Bergen.  
14 Nanning son of I. Vischer.  
1745 15 Jacob Roseboom.  
1759 16 Hendrick Ed. Williams.

- 1758 17 Robert Sanders. 1765, to Peter Rob<sup>t</sup>. Sanders.  
 18 Peter D. Schuyler. 1768, to John Gerritse Lansingh.  
 19 Johannes Gerritse Lansingh. 1768, to Hendrick Rob<sup>t</sup>. Lansingh.  
 1748 20 Abraham Witbeeck.  
 21 Barent Van Bueren.  
 1747 22 Jacob, son of Jacob Bleecker.  
 1750 23 Johannes Joh<sup>ns</sup>. Vinhagen.  
 24 Johannes Beeckman, junior.  
 25 Cornelius C. Van Den Bergh: To Gerret W. Van Schajck.  
 1754 26 Seymon Johannes Veeder.  
 The above 15 sat indiscriminately.

No. 5.

- 1748 27 Dirck Jacob Van Der Heyden.  
 1751 28 Johannis Cuyler. 1765, to Barent Cornelis Ten Eyck.  
 29 Gerrit C. Van Den Bergh.  
 30 Johannis Van Der Heyden Snyder [*? tailor*]. 1771, to Abraham E. Wendell, by order of consistory.  
 1751 31 Seybrant A. Van Schajck.  
 1746 32 Johannis H. Ten Eyck.  
 1751 33 Jacob H. Ten Eyck.  
 34 Hendrick Bleecker. 1767, to Jacob Joh<sup>s</sup>. Beecker.  
 The above 8 seats were occupied by them in common.

No. 6.

- 35 Andries Witbeeck, jr. To Jan Witbeck.  
 36 Volkert Pieterse Douw.  
 37 Petrus Douw.  
 38 Jonas Oothout.  
 39 Hendrick Douw. 1762, to Johannis, son of Hendrick Douw.  
 1754 40 Abraham Douw.  
 1750 41 Rensselaer Nicolls.  
 42 Gerrit Van Bergen. 1768, to Petteres Van Bergen.  
 1754 43 Albert Ryckman. 1764, to Pieter Ryckman.  
 Deese boven geschreven 9 sitten in't gemeen.

No. 7.

- 1759 44 Cornelius Van Schelluynne.  
 45 Jacob Vischer. 1762, to Isaac Swits.  
 1755 46 Hendrick Bogart.  
 47 Isaac Kyp.  
 1750 48 Guert Van Schoonhove.  
 49 Barent Bratt. 1762, to Harmanis Ic. Wendell, by purchase of Barent Bratt.  
 1757 50 Cillejaen Winne.  
 1747 51 Cornelius M. Van Den Bergh.  
 52 Barent H. Ten Eyck.  
 Occupied in common.

No. 8.

- 53 Hendrick Roseboom, jr. 1760, to Johannes H. Roseboom.  
 54 Cornelius Cuyler. 1765, to Johannis Cuyler.  
 1747 55 Hendrick Cuyler. 1763, to his son Ab<sup>m</sup>. Cuyler.

- 56 Rutger I. Bleecker.  
 1751 57 Johannes Glen. 1770, to Cornelius Gelen by order of John Cuyler.  
 1747 58 Cornelius Ger<sup>se</sup>. Van Den Bergh.  
 59 Anthony Van Schajck, jun.  
 1752 60 Abraham Ten Broeck.  
 These 8 seats in common.

## No. 9.

- 1757 61 John, son of H. Hansen. June 5, 1769, to Peter Hansen.  
 62 David A. Schuyler.  
 63 Robert Roseboom. 1764 to Ahaswerus Roseboom.  
 1749 64 Johannis Pruy<sup>n</sup>.  
 65 Ryckert Hansen. 1766, to John Ja. Beeckman.  
 1758 66 John Joh<sup>s</sup>. Lansing.  
 These 6 in common.

## No. 10.

- 1747 67 Philip Cuyler.  
 1746 68 Philip, son of Joh<sup>s</sup>. Schuyler.  
 69 Gerrardus Groesbeeck.  
 70 Joachim Staats.  
 1749 71 Hendrick Cornelise Cuyler. 1765, to Abraham Cor<sup>is</sup>. Cuyler.  
 1759 72 Pieter Winne Douw.

## No. 11.

- 73 Jeremiah Van Rensselaer. 1764, to Stephen Van Rensselaer.  
 74 Steven Van Rensselaer. 1764, to Stephen Van Rensselaer, jr.  
 75 Jacobus Van Rensselaer. }  
 76 John Babtist Van Rensselaer. } 1764, for the Patroon.  
 77 Johannis Van Rensselaer.  
 78 Henderick Van Rensselaer.  
 79 Jeremiah Joh<sup>s</sup>. Van Rensselaer. 1764, to John, son of Jeremiah Joh<sup>s</sup>. Van Rensselaer.

At a meeting of the Consistory }  
 held in Albany, Sept. 3, 1753, }

Present: Theodorus Freelinghuysen, minister:

Petrus Douw,	Pieter Schuyler,
Tobias Ryckman,	Hermanus Wendell,
Phillip Schuyler,	Johannes Hun,
Isaac Staats,	Gerrit G. Lansing,

*Elders.*

*Deacons.*

Resolved, That all the men's seats in the new or last constructed gallery shall be sold; the first tier for 12 shillings a seat; the next tier for 10 shillings, and the other for 8 shillings. There shall also be paid for each seat yearly in every year 6 shillings; and in default thereof, the seat shall be forfeited to the consistory, to be again disposed of. In case of death or removal, the seat of such person shall be transferred to his next of kin, upon the payment of 6 shillings for transferring the same; and in default of the payment of the transfer money within a year, the vacated seat shall again revert to the consistory, and be at their disposal.

1754.

Men's seats given out on the west side of the church in the gallery, as they were purchased ; Wherefore they must be paid, both for the purchase and transferring, and be subject to the quarterly salary of the Domine.

- No 1. Robert Yates, jr. Joseph, son of Adam Yates.  
Adam Yates. Johannes Yates.  
Abraham Yates.
- No. 2. Johannes J<sup>s</sup>. Wendell. Volckert A. Douw.  
Tobias Ten Eyck.
- 1759 Cornelius Switts.
- No. 3. [Vacant].
- No. 4. [Vacant].
- No. 5. Jacob C. Ten Eyck. Hendrick B<sup>s</sup>. Ten Eyck.  
Evert H. Wendell. 1762, to Hendrick, son of Jacob Wendell.  
Jacob Van Schajck. 1761, to Gose S. Van Schajck,  
Barent Ten Eyck. 1765, to Peter Gansevoort.
- No. 6. Myndert Van Eyvere. 1764, to Rynier Van Eyvere.  
David Van Der Heyden. 1770, to Leendert Gansevoort.
- Harmen Vischer. Peter Williams.  
Hendrick Bleecker, jr.,
- No. 7. [Vacant].
- No. 8. [Vacant].
- No. 9. Harmanus Schuyler. Johannes Lansingh.  
Johannis Hogan. 1760, to Isaac Williams Hogan.  
Luykas Van Veghte. Philip Van Veghte.
- No. 10. Harmanus Wendell. Barent Staats.  
Nicolas Cuyler. Abraham Wendell.  
Gerrit Jab<sup>s</sup>. Lansing. 1770, to John Gevse Lansingh.
- No. 11. Cornelius Ten Broeck. Johannes Ten Broeck  
Johannis Cuyler, jr. Dirck Ten Broeck. 1768, to  
Derrick, son of Abraham Ten Broeck.
- No. 12. Joachim Is<sup>c</sup>. Staats. Abraham H. Cuyler. 1762,  
to Harmanis, son of John Cuyler.  
Johannis Jac<sup>b</sup>. Glen. Cornelius Cuyler, jr.  
Myndert Roseboom.
- No. 13.
- No. 14. William Winne. Hendrick Van Ness.  
This pew had but two seats.
- No. 15. Johannes Williams. But one seat in this pew.

*Gallery on the south side of the church.*

- No. 16. Gysbert Marselus.  
Gysbert Fonda. Volkert Van Veghte.  
Gerrit Marselus, jr. 1766, Johannes, son of Gysbert Marselus.
- No. 17. 1 John Clout, jr. 4 Dirrick Swart.  
2 Willim Hun. 5 Wouter De Frest.  
3 Cornelius Van Veghte. 6 Isaac De Frest.
- No. 18. [Vacant].
- No. 19. [Vacant].

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December 14th, 1768, }

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Having taken into consideration certain resolutions of a former consistory concerning the disposal of the men's and women's seats on the first floor of the church, which we hereby confirm, in order further to promote the interests of the church, do

Resolve, That respecting the men's seats aforesaid, after the death or removal of an occupant, his seat shall fall to his oldest son residing in this county; and in default of sons, to sons-in-law; and in want of sons-in-law, to brothers or brothers-in-law; and if there be no brothers or brothers-in-law, then to cousins, etc., the eldest in all cases having precedence; conditioned that as often as the seat be transferred by the death or removal of a sitter, his successor shall pay the sum of fifteen shillings to the churchwardens for transferring the same, for the behalf of the Nederduytsh church in this place.

Having also further considered the matter of the women's pews, and what is for the interest of the respective parties, when by the death or removal of an occupant her seat becomes vacant, it shall descend to her eldest daughter residing within the bounds of the community; and in default of daughters to daughters-in-law; and in the absence of daughters-in-law, to sisters; and if there be no sisters, to aunts; and if there be no aunts, to nieces; and thus at all times the succession to be limited to the eldest in the line of descent; upon the condition that as often as it shall become necessary to transfer a seat by reason of the death or absence of an occupant, the sum of twelve shillings shall be paid to the churchwardens for the behalf of the church aforesaid, by the successor thereto.

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It is further determined that no person leaving this church by certificate or otherwise, and going to another place, shall have any claim upon

the seat which he occupied in this church, but may have the same transferred to his nearest of kin, as herein before prescribed.

The Domine absent.

Hendrick Roseboom,	Seymon Joh <sup>s</sup> . Veeder,
John Winne,	Peter Williams,
Nicholas Cuyler,	Gerardus Lansing,
Volckert P. Douw,	Samuel Pruyn.

At a meeting of the Consistory, }  
Albany, Dec. 30, 1779, }

Present, Willem Winne,	Thomas Lansing,
Peter Gansevoort,	David Groesbeek,
Gerardus Lansing,	Elbert Willett,
Joh <sup>s</sup> . M. Beekman,	Gerrit Groesbeek,

*Ouderlingen.*

*Diaconen.*

Being assembled to consider upon a dispute, and to examine and weigh the same, between Gerrit G. Lansing and Bastejaen Visger, about the transfer of a woman's seat in the year 1776; and having summoned persons familiar with the transaction at the time, who testify that, after due deliberation upon the matter, having due regard to the circumstances of the case, and the existing rules, they come to the conclusion that transferring the seat to the wife of Bastejaen Visger was right. We desire therefore to abide in peace and quietness by their decision.

Besluit der Kerkeract.

## THE CITY RECORDS.

1753.

[These records, embracing a period of sixty-seven years, from 1686, when the Charter was obtained, to 1753, were published in the *Annals of Albany*, and the indexes to that work furnish a clue to the transactions of the Common Council during that time, which could be known before only by the tedious process of examining the original volumes in manuscript. They are now taken up from the time they closed in that work, and embrace a very important period in the history of the city, namely, from the beginning of the French war to the close of the American Revolution.]

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany, at the City Hall of the said City on the 29th day of May, 1753—Present, Robert Sanders, Esq., Mayor, Sybrant G. Van Schaick, Esq., Recorder, John De Peyster, Abraham Douw, Joh's Van Sante, John Glen, Harmce Gansevoort, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Aldermen, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw, John R. Bleecker, Assistants.

This day two Petitions was signed in order to send to New York, one to his Excellency the Governor and the other to Robert Livingston, Jr, Esq., to lay before the Generall Assembly, praying the Honorable House to gitt an Act passed to lay a Tax on the province of New York for building a Stone wall about this City, which Petitions runs thus :

To His Excellency the Honourable George Clinton, Captain Generall and Governour in Chief in and over the Province of New York and the Territories thereon depending in America, Vice Admiral of the same and Admiral of the white Squadron of his Majesty's Fleet. The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of Albany in Common Council convened,

Most Humbly Sheweth :

That whereas the City of Albany is a frontier Town, and the defence and preservation thereof of very great consequence to the safety of the whole Province in case of war with the French, but that the said City at present is altogether undefensible, open and exposed to the incursions of any Enemy, and the Corporation by reason of the heavy debt they ly under occasioned by the great expence we were at during the late War and no ways able to fortify the City unless assisted by a Provincial Tax, and whereas your Excellency's Petitioners have prepared a Petition to be laid before the General Assembly praying they would be pleased to lay a Tax of £6000 on Estates throughout this Province to defray the expence of building a wall with Bastions or Batteries at convenient distances for the defence of said City and security of the Province.

Your Excellency's Petitioners most humbly pray that your Excellency may be pleased to recommend to the Generall Assembly in the most pressing terms that you think proper to raise the said sum of £6000 for defray-

ing the charge of building said wall with Bastions and Batteries at convenient distances for the defence of the City and security of the Province. And your Excellency's Petitioners as in duty bound shall ever pray.

To the Honourable the Generall Assembly of the Province of New York in General Assembly convened. The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany,  
Humbly Sheweth :

That whereas the City of Albany is a frontier Town and if well fortified might be a place of great security and defence not only for the Inhabitants of the said City and County of Albany, but of very great importance to the safety of the whole Province if attacked by the Enemy, the said City is at present altogether defenceless, open and exposed to Invasions of any Enemy, and in case a War break out with the French, it is not to be doubted their first attempt would be made on the City of Albany and the Inhabitants become an easy prey to the Enemy, which might prove of very fatal consequence to the Province.

The Corporation of the City of Albany are much in debt occasioned by the great expence they were at during the late War, and are not at present in circumstances to pay the same much less to fortifie the City.

There was a Stone wall begun severall years ago; it was carried on but a little way: from the wall Stockadoes were put up and Block houses erected at convenient distances round the City. Many of the Stockadoes are now rotten and falling down, and could be of little or no use or service in case we should be attacked by the Enemy. That part of the wall then made is yet standing, and if carried on and finished might be of very great advantage to the safety of the Province in time of War. The Inhabitants to the northward and westward of the City could in time of danger retire thereto and not only defend themselves but probably be able to repulse the Enemy. It is computed that a sum of £6000 would be sufficient to build a wall to enclose the City (except on that side along the River), with Bastions or Batteries in the same at convenient distances, and if a Tax was laid on Estates, real and personal, throughout the Province for to build said wall, it is hoped that said Tax would not be the least grievance to any particular person.

Your Honours Petitioners most humbly pray that you will be pleased to raise by a Tax on Estates, real and personal, throughout the Province the sum of £6000 for to defray the expence of building said wall with Bastions and Batteries at convenient distances for the defence of the place and security of the Province. That said sum be entrusted to such persons and paid in such proportions and at such times as the Legislature think proper, and that you appoint such proper person or persons to oversee the work under such regulation and restrictions as in your wisdom you shall think good. And your Honours Petitioners as in duty bound shall ever pray.

Robert Livingston, Esqr: Sir—We enclose a Petition which we beg the favour of you to deliver into the General Assembly, and beg also the favour of you to use your interest to gitt our prayer granted. If you find any fault in the Petition we desire you will please to gitt another drawn and send it up by the first opportunity. Coll. Johnson will bring with him a Petition for his Excellency the Governour for the same purpose.

By order of Common Council.

HA: GANSEVOORT, Clerk.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 5th day of June, 1853—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John De Peyster, Jacob Ten Eyck, John Glen, Joh's Van Sante, Harmee Gansevoort, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, Aldermen; John R. Bleeker, Volkert P. Douw, Peter D. Wandelaer, Assistants.

This Board agreed with Mr. Isaac Switts for passage and victuals for a number of Indians, not exceeding fifteen, to carry down to New York; and this Board to pay him six shillings for each Indian; that is to say for passage and victuals.

The Mayor undertook to right a Letter to his Excellency the Governour and to sign the same in behalf of y<sup>e</sup> Common Council, which runs thus:

ALBANY, June 5, 1753.

May it please your Excellency—Severall of y<sup>e</sup> Mohawk Seachims and others came down here applied to us in Common Council and told us that they had received some Wampen and a Message from y<sup>e</sup> Governour of Canada of very great consequence, and as there were no Commissioners to apply to here they requested of us to pay and provide them a passage down to New York, so as that they might communicate y<sup>e</sup> same to his Excellency, which we thought we could not well refuse, so that we have provided a passage for few of them to Mr. Swits; we are with due respect.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on y<sup>e</sup> 2 June, 1753—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Ten Eyck, John Glen, Johannis Van Sante, Harmee Gansevoort, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, Aldermen; John R. Bleeker, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Peter de Wandelaer, Assistants.

The Mayor produced the Opinion of Mr. Smith, concerning y<sup>e</sup> Ferry, which runs as follows, viz:

ALBANY, y<sup>e</sup> 20 June, 1753.

I have considered the case of the City of Albany, relating to the Ferry, and am of opinion that the present right of the Corporation will only extend to the ferrige from y<sup>e</sup> City to the opposite side of the River.

WM. SMITH.

I have also considered the case of the Corporation of Albany, and am of opinion that actions for Rent are well maintainable against y<sup>e</sup> Tenants who refuse to pay the rent for those years in which they enjoyed the profits of the Lands. Dated 20 June, 1753.

WM. SMITH.

This day Mr. Barnardus Bratt for himself, and Harmee Gansevoort for Mr. Johannis Ten Broeck, agreed with this Board for y<sup>e</sup> Rent of the Ferry, each 50s. from y<sup>e</sup> 4 day of Aprill last till y<sup>e</sup> 4 day of Aprill, 1754, at the rates made in Common Council y<sup>e</sup> 26 day of February, 1754, excepted only they may ferry from both sides.

This Board ordered that an order be drawn upon their Chamberlain to let Michael Bessett and Robert Lansingh each have 6 Skipple of Wheat, and charge their accounts therewith.

Resolved by this Board, that y<sup>e</sup> Mayor execute the Deed to Daniel MacMichael for the House and Land where he now dwels, in behalf of y<sup>e</sup> Common Council in the presence of two Aldermen, and that the Clerk affix the City Seal thereunto.

This Board having considered upon the Opinion of Mr. Smith, relating the Tenants of Schagkook, and Resolved, that a Power of Attorney be

drawn and signed in Common Council to send Mr. Smith, in order to prosecute those Tenants that do not agree on or before the first day of August next ensuing, and that copies of the Indentures of such persons as shall not agree within y<sup>e</sup> time lemitted be sent to Mr. Smith in New York.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of y<sup>e</sup> said City on y<sup>e</sup> 31 day of July, 1753—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John Glen, John De Peyster, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>n</sup> Van Sante, Abraham Douw, Harmc Gansevoort, Esq<sup>r</sup>s, Aldermen; Johannis Ja. Lansingh, John R. Bleeker, Volkert P. Douw.

Ordered by this Board that an order be drawn upon y<sup>e</sup> City Treasurer to let Jacob Ten Eyck have 416½ Skipple Wheat at 4s. ¾ Skipple and eight pence in cash, which is in full to discharge y<sup>e</sup> ballance of a Bond of £200 and interest of the same, which Bond was executed by Direk Ten Broeck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, late Mayor, under the City Seal, by vertue of a Resolution entered in the Minutes of Comon Council y<sup>e</sup> 24th day of October, 1747, which order y<sup>e</sup> Clerk sign in behalf of y<sup>e</sup> Common Council, and that y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer demand y<sup>e</sup> said Bond when y<sup>e</sup> Wheat is delivered.

John Davids presented a Petition to this Board, which is taken into consideration.

Petition of severall of y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> Third Ward, which this Board has taken in consideration and made a Resolution thereupon as follows:

Resolved by this Board, that y<sup>e</sup> Pavement between the Houses of Jacob Lansing and David A. Schuyler be raised and made higher, so that the water that comes down from the hill between y<sup>e</sup> Houses of Jacob Visscher and Jacob Lansing may vent itself thro' y<sup>e</sup> Lane or Street between the Houses and Lots of David A. Schuyler and the Widow Catharina Cuyler, and so down the said Lane or Street into y<sup>e</sup> River, to be performed and finished at any time before y<sup>e</sup> 15th day of September next ensuing, and if any person or persons shall neglect, refuse or delay to obey, perform and fulfill y<sup>e</sup> orders and directions so given by the Aldermen and Assistants of y<sup>e</sup> said Third Ward, shall forfeit the sum of twenty shillings for each delay and for the behoof of y<sup>e</sup> Sheriff, to be recovered before y<sup>e</sup> Mayor, Recorder, or any one of y<sup>e</sup> Aldermen of y<sup>e</sup> said city.

Ordered, That an Order be drawn upon y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer to let Anthony Bratt have twelve Skipple of Wheat and charge his account therewith at four shillings ¾ Skipple.

An Ordinance published for the selling of Flesh in the Markets.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of y<sup>e</sup> said City on y<sup>e</sup> 8 day of August, 1753—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Johannis Van Sante, Harmc Gansevoort, John Glen, John De Peyster, Esq<sup>r</sup>s, Aldermen; John R. Bleeker, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>n</sup> Ja<sup>n</sup> Lansingh, Peter De Wandelaer.

John Flensburgh delivered an Account to this Board of 8s. 3d. for repairing y<sup>e</sup> Stoop before ye City Hall, and orders payment.

Pieter Binneway, in behalf for y<sup>e</sup> rest of y<sup>e</sup> people of Schaagkook, appeared in Common Council and agreed with this Board for y<sup>e</sup> Rent and arrearages due to this City to leave the dispute to two indifferent persons, and if in case they can not agree, that then they chuse y<sup>e</sup> third person,



and that y<sup>e</sup> People of Schagkook appoint one or more proper persons to enter into Bonds of Arbitration on or before y<sup>e</sup> first day of September next.

Resolved by this Board, That y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer pay Joh<sup>s</sup> Seger £9:10.

At a Common Council held for y<sup>e</sup> City of Albany at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of the said City on the 5th day of September, 1753—Present, the Mayor, Jacob Ten Eyck, John De Peyster, Harme Gansevoort, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Ja. Lansingh, Volkert P. Douw.

Whereas the Ordinance formerly made by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of this City for the electing two Constables in each Ward of this City is expired of its own limitation, it is hereby ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Assistants of this City, that on the 29 day of September next ensuing shall be chosen in each of the Wards of this City, two petty Constables of which the Aldermen of each Ward or any of them shall make their return with the rest of the City Officers.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 27 day of September, 1753—Present, the Mayor, John Glen, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Jacob Ten Eyck, John De Peyster, Harmee Gansevoort, John Ja. Lansingh, Barent H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, Volkert P. Douw.

Pursuant to a Resolution made in Common Council the 8 day of August, 1753, appeared here in Common Council Peter Binneway, Joh<sup>s</sup> De Wandelaer, and Joh<sup>s</sup> Knikerbaker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, together with this Board appointed Renselaer Nicoll, Esq<sup>r</sup>, and Mr. Joseph Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, and have entered into Bonds of £500.

Resolved by this Board, that the Mayor in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality, execute the said Bond and the City Seal be thereunto affixed, which is done in the presence of this Board.

Egbert Bratt delivered to this Board an Account of £2 out of is allowed twenty-eight shillings, and ordered the Treasurer to the same.

Elizabeth Donalson delivered an Account of £8:2, which is allowed to her mother Anna Kitchner, the 6th day of December, 1745, and is ordered that the Clerk draw an order upon the Treasurer to pay the same, provided that what is paid thereon before on the same Account.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of the said City on y<sup>e</sup> 29 September, 1753—Present, the Mayor, John De Peyster, Jacob Ten Eyck, John Glen, Harme Gansevoort, Volkert P. Douw, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

This day being appointed by the Charter for choosing and electing Corporation Officers, the following persons were chosen to serve for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing, according to the direction of y<sup>e</sup> Charter, viz :

First Ward.—John De Peyster and Johannis Van Sante, Aldermen ; Volkert P. Douw, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Assistants ; Joghum Staats and Gerrit Joh<sup>s</sup> Marcellis, Constables.

Second Ward.—Jacob Ten Eyck and John Glen, Aldermen ; John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Junior, Assistants ; John Joh<sup>s</sup> Cuyler, Rynier Van Yveren, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Constables.

Third Ward.—Abraham Douw and John H. Ten Eyck, Aldermen ;

Peter De Wandelaer, Abraham Yates, Assistants; Dirck Roseboom and Harmanus Cuyler, Constables.

This Board appoints Johannis Roseboom Treasurer or Chamberlain for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing. Johannis Seger, Marchell; John Joh<sup>s</sup> Cuyler, High Constable.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 15 day of October, 1753—Present, the Mayor, John Glen, John De Peyster, Jacob Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Peter De Wandelaer.

John Glen, John De Peyster, Jacob Ten Eyck, John H. Ten Eyck, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test sworn to the due execution as Aldermen for the City and Justices of the Peace for y<sup>e</sup> City and County of Albany.

Volkert P. Douw, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Peter De Wandelaer, Assistants for the ensuing year, took the Oaths, signed the Test sworn to the due execution of their offices.

Harmanus Cuyler, Dirck Roseboom, Gerrit Joh<sup>s</sup> Marcellis, Rynier Van Yeveren, Constables, took the Oaths signed the Tests sworn to the due execution of their offices.

John Joh<sup>s</sup> Cuyler took the Oaths, signed the Test sworn to the office of High Constable.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 24 day of October, 1753—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John H. Ten Eyck, John Glen, John De Peyster, Jacob Ten Eyck, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw, Peter De Wandelaer.

Resolved by this Board, that an Order be drawn on the Treasurer, to let Wouter N. Groesbeek have six Skipple of Wheat, and charge his account therewith at 4s.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Skipple.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 27 day of October, 1753—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John Glen, John H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Jacob Ten Eyck, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw.

Resolved by this Board, that the South bound of the old Sarigtogen patent being oppiste Anthony Creek on the East side of Hudson River, East into the woods being forthwith run, and that the five hundred acres granted to this Corporation by the Charter to the South of the said Patent, that is to say, the South bounds being surveyed according to the directions of the said Charter.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany on the 5 day of November, 1753—Present, the Mayor, John Glen, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Jacob Ten Eyck, John De Peyster, Abraham Douw, Volker P. Douw, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

This Board appoints the following persons Fire Masters for the ensuing year:

Marta Mynderse, William Van Sante, for the first ward.

Evert Joh<sup>s</sup> Wendell, Isaac Gulyn Verplank, for the second ward

John M. Beekman, Rynier Van Alstyn, for the third ward.

N. B. Ordered, that Warrants be given to y<sup>e</sup> Fire Masters and that y<sup>e</sup> Clerk sign them, by order of the Common Council.

James Willson produced a Commission appointing him High Sheriff for y<sup>e</sup> City and County of Albany, has takeing the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and took the for the due execution of his office.

Abraham Douw, Alderman, John R. Bleeker and Abraham Yates, Assistants, are sworn to the due execution of their offices.

Pursuant to a Resolution entered in y<sup>e</sup> Minutes of Common Council, the 27 October last past, this Board have this day agreed with John R. Bleeker, for five pounds, to run the East Line of y<sup>e</sup> old Sarigtogen Patent and survey the five hundred acres of Land, to y<sup>e</sup> words of the Charter. This Board have also appointed Sybrant E. Van Schaick, Jacob Ten Eyck and John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, to go along when they think it most convenient.

Resolved by this Board, that the Treasurer sell all the City Wheat at 4s. the lowest  $\text{f}$  Skipple.

At a Common Council held for y<sup>e</sup> City of Albany, at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of the said City on the 27 November, 1753—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Johannis Van Sante, Joh<sup>r</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John Glen, Volkert P. Douw, Peter De Wandelaer, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John R. Bleeker, Abraham Yates.

This Board agreed with Sybrant Van Schaick for seven or eight morgan of wood land lying within y<sup>e</sup> bounds of Schagkook on y<sup>e</sup> East side of Tomhenick Creek, below the first high fall of water on the said Creek, and is bounded along the said Creek Rodd on a straight Line and so back to the Eastward till it shall take in seven or eight morgan; he is to have it ten years for nothing, and at y<sup>e</sup> expiration of the ten years to pay yearly and every year, five Skipple of good winter Wheat at Albany, and to give the preverence or refusal of the said Lands to the Corporation of this City if he inclined to sell the same.

Resolved by this Board, That the Clerk draw an Advertisement to send by a safe hand to be fixed up at Schagkook, that y<sup>e</sup> occupiers of the Saw Mill standing on Tomhenick Creek come forthwith and agree with the Corporation of this City, otherwise expect to be prosecuted.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of the said City on the 11 day of December, 1753—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>r</sup> Van Sante, Joh<sup>r</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Abraham Yates, Volkert P. Douw, Peter De Wandelaer.

Johannis Knikerbaker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, made application to this Board for a piece of wood Land of about twenty morgan, lying within the bounds of Schagkook along the River adjoining the Lands of his Brother Harme Knikerbaker, which Land is to gitt surveyed upon his own cost and make return of y<sup>e</sup> Boundaries that y<sup>e</sup> Indentures may drawn accordingly, for which Land y<sup>e</sup> said Johannis Knikerbaker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, agrees to pay £20 current money of New York, by the delivery of y<sup>e</sup> Indentures, and four Skipple of good winter Wheat of yearly Rent in the month of January or February for ever, the first payment to begin in January or February, 1763.

Ordered, That the Clerk draw an order upon the Treasurer to pay Joh Seger fifteen shillings for Robert Roseboom and Annatje Marcellis Negros for wood he bought of them, 1745.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 8 day of January, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John Glen, Jacob Ten Eyck, John De Peyster, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>s, Aldermen; John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Peter De Wandelaer, Abraham Yates, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw, Assistants.

Whereas the dispute between this Corporation and their Tenants of Schagkook is left to final end and judgment of Renselaer Nicoll, Esq<sup>r</sup>, and Mr. Joseph Yates, this Board appoints the Mayor, Mr. John De Peyster, and Mr. John R. Bleeker to open their case before the indifferent men in behalf of this Corporation, and that y<sup>c</sup> Mayor bring with him such Indentures as then shall be required for that purpose.

Mr. Jacob Bogart delivered an Account of £5:14, which is allowed and ordered that the Clerk draw for the payment upon the Treasurer in full for his account.

The following Ordinances were this day made and published, viz :

An Ordinance for the due observation of the Lord's day and the regulateing of Negro Slaves.

An Ordinance to prevent Accidents by unruly Riding.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 4 day of April, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John De Peyster, John Glen, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw, Peter De Wandelaer, Abraham Yates.

Resolved by this Board, that Sybrant G. Van Schaick, Abraham Douw and Harmee Gausevoort, as they are going down to New York, consult with such Gentleman as they think proper for to gitt a Petition drawn in such a form as they shall be advised if necessary to lay before the General Assembly to gitt a Night Watch for y<sup>c</sup> City of Albany, and some relief for y<sup>c</sup> Debts contracted y<sup>c</sup> last War, and to endeavour to git our Petition granted, dated y<sup>c</sup> 29 May, 1753, signed and laid before the Assembly for a Stone wall round this City. And it is further Resolved the above mentioned persons eyther one or more of them sign y<sup>c</sup> said Petition in behalf of y<sup>c</sup> Common Councill, and who shall pay for drawing shall be repaid at his return.

Resolved by this Board, that y<sup>c</sup> Clerk draw an order upon y<sup>c</sup> Treasurer to let Joh<sup>s</sup> Seger have eighteen Skipple of Wheat and charge his account therewith.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany at y<sup>c</sup> City Hall of the said City on the 22 day of April, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Abraham Douw, John Glen, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John De Peyster, Volkert P. Douw, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Abraham Yates, Peter De Wandelaer, John R. Bleecker.

Mr. Peter de Wandelaer, one of the members of this Board, undertook to go to Schagkook and see wether the Hosick Patentees do survey or lay out any of this City's Land there within the bounds of this Corporation's Land, and if they do, he the said Wandelaer is hereby impowered to forbid them to measure it or any part thereof, and this Corporation is to bear him harmless for so doing, and that they shall pay him for his trouble, and that the Clerk serve him with a copy of this order, and that he also write a Letter to Mr. Peter Binneway to desire him to go with said Wandelaer and assist him.

At Common Council held for the City of Albany, at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of y<sup>e</sup> said City on y<sup>e</sup> 24 day of Aprill, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Abraham Douw, John Glen, John De Peyster, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Jacob Ten Eyck, Peter De Wandelaer, John R. Bleeker, Volkert P. Douw, Abraham Yates.

Resolved by this Board, that an order be drawn on y<sup>e</sup> City Treasurer to pay unto Jacobus Reatlift, Wouter Groesbeck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Goewyck and Benjamin Goewyck, y<sup>e</sup> sum of twelve shillings for rideing a great Gun.

Mr. Barnardus Bratt, for himself, and Mr. Volkert P. Douw, for Mr. Johannis Ten Broeck, having this day agreed with this Board for the Rent for this ensuing year for the Ferry, at five pounds, that is to say, fifty shillings for y<sup>e</sup> said Bratt and fifty shillings for y<sup>e</sup> said Ten Broeck, to be ended the 4 day of April next, 1755, in following conditions.

For every person, if single, 3 Copers, which we use to call Pennis; if more than one, 2 Coppers.

Every head of Cattle 9 Copers.

Every hundred weight Bever or Skins, 4 Coppers, and so in proportion to a greater or lesser quantity.

N. B. The said Ferry men to go from sun rise to eight o'clock at night for y<sup>e</sup> above condition, as also for y<sup>e</sup> said conditions to ferry from y<sup>e</sup> 4 day of April 1754 till y<sup>e</sup> 4 day of April 1755, December, January, February, excepted; then every person to agree for himself.

At a Common Council held for y<sup>e</sup> City of Albany at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of the said City on the 9 day of May, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Ten Eyck, John Glen, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John De Peyster, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw, Peter De Wandelaer.

Resolved by this Board, that y<sup>e</sup> City Treasurer pay Mr. Abraham Douw such a sum of money as shall appear to be due for y<sup>e</sup> Quit Rent of our Charter and the Patent granted to Henry Van Renselaer for y<sup>e</sup> Lands about Schagkook. Ordered that our Treasurer be served with a copy of this Resolution.

Ordered that y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer pay Jacobus Van Valkenburg the sum of £6 and charge his account for y<sup>e</sup> same.

An Ordinance published for cleaning and repairing the streets before y<sup>e</sup> 18 day of this instant.

Robert Lansing delivered an Account of £12:6 for repairing and materials found for a Door to the Fire Engine House, which is allowed and payment ordered.

Ordered by this Board, that y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer let Robert Lansingh and Michael Bessett have each 6 Skipple of Wheat, and charge their accounts for y<sup>e</sup> same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of the said City on the 23 day of May, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John Glen, John De Peyster, Abraham Yates, Volkert P. Douw, Barent H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker.

John Flensburgh delivered an Account of £2:7:6, for repairing and materials found for the Brige in the First Ward, which is allowed and ordered to be drawn upon the City Treasurer for y<sup>e</sup> payment.

Thomas Williams delivered an Account of £1:15, for his journey and other expenses done at Schagkook by order of this Corporation, which is allowed and ordered that y<sup>e</sup> Clerk draw an order for y<sup>e</sup> same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of the said City on the 13 day of June, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Ten Eyck, John De Peyster, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John Glen, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Abraham Yates, Peter De Wandelaer, Volkert P. Douw.

Ordered by this Board, that the City Treasurer pay unto Barent H. Ten Eyck y<sup>e</sup> sum of £3:5, which he has disbursed for 30lb Powder; if he has no money to pay it wheat at 3s. 9d.  $\text{p}$  Skipple.

Resolved by this Board, That the Mayor speak to Mr. Smith for his Advise concerning y<sup>e</sup> dispute between the Comonality of this City and the Patentees of Hosack, relateing the Boundaries, and in case Mr. Smith is engaged then to ask Mr. William Livingston to meet the Comon Council when he has time, and that then y<sup>e</sup> Mayor bring with him such writings as shall be then and there required for that purpose by the Common Council. Further Resolved that a fee of £3 be paid to whom shall be their Council.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at City Hall of y<sup>e</sup> said City on y<sup>e</sup> 26 June, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John Glen, John De Peyster, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw, Peter De Wandelaer, Abraham Yates.

Ordered, That y<sup>e</sup> City Treasurer pay to Barent H. Ten Eyck the sum of £3 in Wheat at 3s. 9d.  $\text{p}$  Skipple, for money disbursed by him to Mr. Smith for advise, pursuant to a Resolution of Common Council the 13 day of this instant month.

At a Common Council held for y<sup>e</sup> City of Albany on the 2 day of July, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John De Peyster, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Jacob Ten Eyck, Abraham Yates, Volkert P. Douw, John R. Bleeker.

Resolved, That his Honour the Lieutenant Governour and the Gentlemen that attended him from New York, also the Commissioners from the neighbouring Governments be asked to Dinner at the City Hall tomorrow. This Board has agreed with Robert Lateridge to prepare for the same at one shilling and sixpence for each Dinner, and that the Comonalty pay for y<sup>e</sup> Dinner at their own proper cost, and that the Liquor be at the expence of y<sup>e</sup> City.

At a Common Council held for y<sup>e</sup> City of Albany at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of y<sup>e</sup> said City on the 13 day of August, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John Glen, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John De Peyster, Jacob Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, Abraham Yates, Volkert P. Douw, John R. Bleeker.

Robert Lateridge delivered and Account of £19:3:1, wherof £2:6:9 is expended by the indifferance upon the dispute with y<sup>e</sup> Tenants of Schagkook, £2:8 for Wine at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall at the arrival of his Honour y<sup>e</sup> Lieutenant Governour, and £14:8:4 for y<sup>e</sup> an Entertainment, out of which y<sup>e</sup> Comonalty has paid according to their Resolution entered in the Minutes y<sup>e</sup> 2 day of July last past, for the Dinners £5:6, and ordered that y<sup>e</sup> Clerk draw upon the Treasurer to pay Robert Lateridge for y<sup>e</sup> ballance, £13:17:1.

Resolved by this Board, that the Clerk draw an order that y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer sell to John R. Bleeker 100 Skipple Wheat, and to John Gansevoort 50

Skipple; then all the remainder, excepting 50 Skipple, to whom will give the highest prys; John R. Bleeker and John Gansevoort to pay accordingly.

To His Honour, James De Lancey, Esq<sup>r</sup>, his Majesty's Lieutenant Governour and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of New York and the Territories depending in America,

Humbly Sheweth :

Whereas the City of Albany is a frontier Town, and the defence and preservation thereof of very great consequence to the safety of the whole Province in case of a Warr with the French, but that the said City at present is altogether undefensible, open and exposed to the incursions of any Enemy, and the Corporation by reason of the heavy Debt they still labour under, occasioned by the great expence they were at in the last Warr against the French and no ways able to pay the same, much less to fortifie, unless strongly assisted.

Your Honours Petitioners most humbly pray your Honour will be pleased to recommend to the Generall Assembly, at their next meeting, to build a wall round the city, so as your Honour and the other Branches of the Legislature shall judge proper, and your Honours Petitioners as in duty bound shall ever pray.

At a Common Council held for y<sup>e</sup> City of Albany on the 2 day of September, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Joh<sup>n</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John Glen, Abraham Douw, Jacob Ten Eyck, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Abraham Yates, Volkert P. Douw, John R. Bleeker.

Ordered that the Treasurer sell to Sybrant G. Van Schaick, Esq<sup>r</sup>, six Skipple of the Cities Wheat at the rate as you have sold y<sup>e</sup> last to others.

Edward Williams delivered an Account of £9:4:9, which is allowed by this Board and ordered payment for y<sup>e</sup> same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on y<sup>e</sup> 11 day of September, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John De Peyster, John Glen, Joh<sup>n</sup> Van Sante, Joh<sup>n</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Jacob Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, Volkert P. Douw, Abraham Yates, Peter De Wandelaer, Barent H. Ten Eyck.

The following Answer was this day wrote to his Honour the Lieutenant Governour :

May it Please your Honour—We have received your favour of the first instant, and noted the contents. We had already before we had received your Letter begun to procure Stockadoes and very busy setting the same; and as for repairing the Block houses, we can not gitt no person to undertake the same upon the credit of the Province, and the City being still considerable indebted, occasioned by the last Warr against the French, upon the same account were we still labour under, which our predecessors engaged for, and by all probability we shall be without any income this year, for all our Tenants at Schagkook are broke up, and we will do all in our power to prevent any sudden surprise. We are with much esteem.

Peter Yates delivered an Account of £1:3:5, for repairing and finding materials for Block house No. 5, which is allowed and order the Treasurer to pay the same.

Anthony Van der See delivered an Account of £9:5, for work done and

money disbursed in the year 1745. This Board Resolved that the Treasurer pay him one half of his account, which is £4:12:6.

Resolved by this Board, That an order be drawn upon the Treasurer for thirty Skipples Wheat, to be delivered to the following persons :

To Anthony Bratt,	9	Skipple.
To Killiaen Winne,	6	Do.
To Jurjan Hogan,	6	Do.
To Joh <sup>s</sup> Seger,	6	Do.
To Jacobus Valenburgh,	3	Do.

—  
30 Skipple.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of the said City on the 28 day of September, 1754—Present, the Mayor, John Glen, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John R. Blecker, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Peter De Wandelaer, Volkert P. Douw.

Whereas the ordinance formerly made by the Mayor, Aldermen and Comonalty of this City for the electing two Constables in each Ward of the City is expired of its own limitation, it is hereby ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Assistants of this City, that on the 29 day of September next ensuing shall be chosen in each Ward of this City, two petty Constables, of which the Aldermen in each Ward, or any of them, shall make their returns with the rest of the City officers.

Resolved by this Board, that an order be drawn upon the City Treasurer to repay Jacob Ten Eyck £1:14:10, for money disbursed by him for this City.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of the said City on 29 day of September, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John Glen, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John De Peyster, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw, Peter De Wandelaer, Abraham Yates, John R. Blecker, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

This day being appointed by the Charter for choosing and electing Corporation officers, the following persons were chosen to serve for the year ensuing, according to y<sup>e</sup> directions of the Charter, viz :

First Ward.—Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante and Volkert P. Douw, Aldermen ; Evert Wendell, Assistant ; Hendrick J. Bogart and Burger Huwson, Constables.

Second Ward.—Jacob Ten Eyck and Gerrit Marceelis, Aldermen ; John R. Bleecker and John Beekman Jun<sup>r</sup>, Assistants ; John Blecker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, and Abraham Cuyler, Constables.

Third Ward.—Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck and Abraham Douw, Aldermen ; Abraham Yates and Harme Gansevoort, Assistants ; Henry Abeel and Gerrit Wilhelimis Van den Bergh, Constables.

Whereas this day Sybrant Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, and Robert Lansing are equal in Votes chosen for an Assistant in the First Ward, wherefore it is

Resolved by this Board, that on the 14 day of October next ensuing, a new Election be held for the chusing of another Assistant for the said First Ward of this City, and that y<sup>e</sup> Aldermen of said Ward give notice accordingly.

This Board appoints John Roseboom for their Chamberlain, and Joh<sup>s</sup> Seger, Marshall for the year ensuing.



At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at y<sup>c</sup> City Hall of the said City on y<sup>c</sup> 14 October, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John De Peyster, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Jacob Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, Abraham Yates, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John R. Bleeker.

Hans Hansen, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him Mayor and Clerk of y<sup>c</sup> Market of this City and Coroner of the said City and County for y<sup>c</sup> ensuing year, took y<sup>c</sup> Oaths appointed by Law, signed y<sup>c</sup> Test, and was sworn to the due execution of the said offices.

Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him High Sheriff of y<sup>c</sup> City and County of Albany, took y<sup>s</sup> Oaths appointed by Law, signed y<sup>c</sup> Test, and was sworn to the due execution of said office.

Jacob Ten Eyck, Gerrit Marcelis, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Esq<sup>r</sup>, being chosen Aldermen for y<sup>c</sup> ensuing year, took said Oaths appointed by Law, signed y<sup>c</sup> Test and sworn to y<sup>c</sup> due execution of their offices.

John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Evert Wendell, Jacob Van Schaick, Abraham Yates and Harmee Gansevoort, Assistants, took y<sup>c</sup> said Oaths, signed Test, and were sworn to the due execution of their office.

Henry Abeel took the said Oaths, signed y<sup>c</sup> Test, was sworn to y<sup>c</sup> office of High Constable for y<sup>c</sup> ensuing year.

John Joh<sup>s</sup> Bleeker, Abraham Cuyler, Burger Hewson and Gerrit W. Van den Bergh, took Oaths, signed the Test, and sworn to y<sup>c</sup> due execution of their office as Constable.

Hendrick Isaak Bogardt was sworn to the due execution of y<sup>c</sup> office of Constable.

Pursuant to a Resolution made y<sup>c</sup> 29 September last, for electing an Assistant in the Third [First?] Ward, Jacob Van Schaick is this day returned Assistant by majority of votes.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at y<sup>c</sup> City Hall of the said City on y<sup>c</sup> 2 October, 1754—Present, Hans Hansen, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Mayor, Sybrant G. Van Schaick, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, Gerrit Marcelis, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Volkert P. Douw, Abraham Yates, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Evert Wendell, Ha: Gansevoort.

Resolved by this Board, That y<sup>c</sup> Clerk draw an order upon the City Treasurer to pay Wilhelmus Van den Bergh £5, to Anthony A. Bratt ten shillings, to Sybrant Quackenboss ten shillings, and to Johannis Seger £9 in cash and 6 Skipple Wheat at 4s. 6d. ¾ Skipple.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at y<sup>c</sup> Hall of the said City on y<sup>c</sup> 2 November, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Johannis H. Ten Eyck, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John R. Bleeker, Ha: Gansevoort.

Ordered, That the Treasurer pay Mr. Jacob Ten Eyck three shillings for a Lock and Key to Block house No. 5.

Resolved by this Board to spend the sum of £3 at the house of Edward Williams on the King's birth day, which is on the 10 of this instant.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on 28 day of November, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Volkert P. Douw, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Gerrit Marselis, John R. Bleeker, Jacob Van Schaick, Evert Wendell, Ha: Gansevoort.

Resolved by this Board, That an order be drawn upon the City Treasurer, to pay John Ja<sup>r</sup> Reatliff y<sup>e</sup> sum of £5 for last year Sellaray to ring Bell.

To Johannis Seger, according to agreement, for to warn the person who had the oversight of y<sup>e</sup> Watch for two months, six shillings 7<sup>d</sup> month, and two shillings for a Roap, in all fourteen shillings.

This Board appoints y<sup>e</sup> following persons Fire Masters for this City for the year ensuing, viz :

Staats Van Santvoordt, Harmanus Schuyler, for y<sup>e</sup> first ward.

Jan Masc, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Bastiaen Visscher, for y<sup>e</sup> second ward.

Harmanus Wendell, John Joh<sup>r</sup> Cluet, for y<sup>e</sup> third ward.

Ordered, That Warrants be given to the Fire Masters of each Ward accordingly, and that the Clerk sign y<sup>e</sup> same, by order of the Common Council.

At a Common Council held for y<sup>e</sup> City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 4 December, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Joh<sup>r</sup> Van Sante, Abraham Douw, Volkert P. Douw, Joh<sup>r</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, Jacob Van Schaick, Robert Wendell, Abraham Yates, Ha: Gansevoort.

Resolved by this Board, That an order be given upon the City Treasurer to pay Joh<sup>r</sup> Wyngart, the sum of £5:12:6 for his Accounts in full.

An Ordinance this day made and published for appointing, establishing and regulating a good and sufficient Night Watch in the City of Albany.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on y<sup>e</sup> 9 December, 1754—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, Gerrit Marselis, Volkert P. Douw, Joh<sup>r</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, Evert Wendell, Jacob Van Schaick, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Abraham Yates, Ha: Gansevoort.

Resolved by this Board, That an order be given to Isaac Bogert upon the Treasurer for nine Skipple Wheat, and that he charge his Account therewith prys currant.

The following Ordinances where this day published, viz :

For the due observation of the Lord's day; do. for preventing Fire.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of y<sup>e</sup> said City on y<sup>e</sup> 18 January, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Joh<sup>r</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>r</sup> Van Sante, Abraham Douw, Volkert P. Douw, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Abraham Yates, Evert Wendell, Jacob Van Schaick, John R. Bleeker, Ha: Gansevoort.

The following Accounts were allowed, viz :

To Tobias Ten Eyck, - - - -	£1:15:0
To Jacob Ten Eyck, - - - -	0:14:0
To Tuenis Viele, - - - -	0: 2:3
To Patrick Clerk, - - - -	0:12:3
To Arent Van Duceen, - - - -	0: 3:0

£3: 4:6

Resolved by this Board, That y<sup>e</sup> Clerk pay to Mr. Jacob Ten Eyck the sum of £3:4:6 to discharge y<sup>e</sup> above Account out of y<sup>e</sup> money he has received for y<sup>e</sup> use of the City Seal.

And we do further allow to Harmee Gansevoort out of y<sup>e</sup> same money that he has received for y<sup>e</sup> use of said Seal, the sum of £3 for Timber bought by Nicholas Bleeker and Jacob Viser in the year 1746, y<sup>e</sup> first day of August, then Aldermen; as also £3 to y<sup>e</sup> said Harmee Gansevoort for two Orders from John Bell, which is due to him, as by the Record and the City Book may appear; which Orders he is to deliver to y<sup>e</sup> City Treasurer, to be charged to y<sup>e</sup> said Bel's Account.

And it is further ordered that y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>t</sup> Harmee Gansevoort bring in account of y<sup>e</sup> money he has received for the Seal.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of y<sup>e</sup> said City on the 20 day of January, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Abraham Douw, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>n</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Gerrit Marselis, Joh<sup>n</sup> Van Sante, Volkert P. Douw, Abraham Yates, Jacob Van Schaick, Evert Wendell, Harmee Gansevoort.

An Ordinance published to prevent Accidents by unruly rideing.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 18 day of March, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Abraham Douw, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>n</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Gerrit Marselis, John R. Bleeker, Jacob Van Schaick, Evert Wendell, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Mr. Tobias Ten Eyck delivered an Account of 10 Pitch pine Boards at 12d. <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, which is allowed.

Resolved and ordered by this Board, that y<sup>e</sup> Clerk write forthwith to the People at Schagtekook to pay their Rents between this and the first day of Aprill, otherways expect to be prosecuted, and that the Clerk sign in behalf of the Corporation.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 29 March, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Abraham Douw, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>n</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Ger<sup>r</sup> Marselis, Abraham Yates, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Evert Wendell, Jacob Van Schaick, Ha: Gansevoort.

Several of the Inhabitants of Schagkook was sent for this day in Comon Council; Wouter Groesbeck, Johannis Knikerbacker and Hüge Viele appeared. This Board asked them wether they would pay the Rents for the year 1755. They desired eight days to give their answer, which is granted.

At a Common Council held for y<sup>e</sup> City of Albany on the 8 day of April, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Volkert P. Douw, Joh<sup>n</sup> Van Sante, Joh<sup>n</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Jacob Ten Eyck, Gerrit Marselis, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ha: Gansevoort, Abraham Yates.

The following Ordinance was this day made and published :

Be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Assistants of y<sup>e</sup> City of Albany, in Common Council convened, and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same, that from the 14 instant every Baker within this City do make their Bread of y<sup>e</sup> finest white Flower, and that every Loaf of white Bread of 4 Copers shall weigh 2lb, and a Loaf of 2 Coppers weigh 1lb, and hereafter from time to time to be established under y<sup>e</sup> penalty of forfeiture of all such Bread to y<sup>e</sup> Poor as shall be found not to be good and wanting of due assize, and also 6 shillings fine for each offence, to y<sup>e</sup> use

of such person as will sue or prosecute for y<sup>e</sup> same, to be recovered before the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen, or any of them, with cost of suit. Dated this 8 April, 1755.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 3 May, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Joh<sup>s</sup> Ten Eyck, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Gerrit Marselis, John Beekman Jun<sup>r</sup>, John R. Bleeker, Jacob Van Schaick, Ha: Gansevoort.

Resolved by this Board, That the old Seal now in custody of the Mayor, with the Letters thereon shall be used by the Mayor to lycense Carmen and Tavern keepers and to nothing else, and shall be called the Publick Seal of this City.

This Board agrees with Cornelia Butcher for a peise of Ground lying on the East of the Road that leads from the City of Albany to the Pasture on y<sup>e</sup> North side of the Gate that stands opposite the house of Dirck Hun, broad on the front 20 foot long, towards the Stockadoes 15 foot. She is to build a house on that peise of Ground, which she is to have two years for building the house; and at the expiration of two years she is to pay twenty shillings annually, and that no longer than the Corporation shall judge proper; the said Cornelia Butcher shall not rent or sell the house without the consent of this Corporation on penalty of forfeiting y<sup>e</sup> said House.

The following Ordinances were this day published :

An Ordinance for regulating Carmen.

Do. for selling flesh in the Markets.

Do. for cleaning and repairing the streets on or before the 18 day of this Instant.

At a Common Council held for y<sup>e</sup> City of Albany at y<sup>e</sup> City Hall of the said City on the 10 June, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw, Evert Wendell, Jacob Van Schaick, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John R. Bleeker, Ha: Gansevoort.

This Board orders that y<sup>e</sup> City Treasurer let Wouter N. Groesbeek have 6 Skipple of Wheat and charge it to his Account.

Cornelis Van Duesen undertook to open and shut the Gates from No. 1 to No. 7 for the space of two months from the day of June, begun to open and shut to the day of September, for £3.

Resolved that y<sup>e</sup> Clerk draw a Petition and send Johannis Seger to the Mayor, &c., to have it signed, to be sent to y<sup>e</sup> Representatives for y<sup>e</sup> City and County of Albany, in order to laid before y<sup>e</sup> House of the General Assembly for y<sup>e</sup> Province of New York, which Petition runs thus :

To the Honourable the Generall Assembly of the Province of New York in the Generall Assembly convenient in the City of New York, the Humble Petition of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Albany,

Most Humbly Sheweth,

That whereas the Inhabitance of this City of Albany, pursuant to an order of the Corporation, did last Summer sett up a considerable quantity of Stockadoes now standing round this City, but at the same time their remained a great quantity of the old Stockadoes which are quiet rotten, which this Corporation would have in some manner amended last Winter,

had they nott been persuaded by a glareing prospect that this City whould have been laid in a Stone wall, which glareing prospect is now all over and laid aside, we therefore desire the Honourable House will be pleased to make an Act of Assembly to compell the Inhabitance of this City of Albany and the Manor of Renselaerwyck to reyde a number of Stockadoes to be sett up in the place of the old, and we also begg the Honourable House will be pleased to allow a sum of money to this Corporation to gett the Block houses and Batteries repaired, which greatly want to be amended, and to purchase gun Powder, Ball and other warlike Stores, and to provide for Fire wood and Candles to enable the Inhabitance to keep a Night Watch ; all which this Corporation is in no manner able to doe without assted by the Honourable House, for this Corporation has no Income from their Tenants att Schagtekook, who are all obliged to leave their Farms and are in a manner ruened, and this Corporation is att least a thousand pounds indebted, occasioned by the last French War. And your Petitioners as in duty bound shall ever pray.

The above Petition was inclosed in a Letter to the Representatives for the City and County of Albany, as followeth, viz :

Gentlemen—Inclosed you have a Petition we must trouble you with, to lay the same before your Honourable House, and to endeavour to gett what the Petition setts forth, or any other thing may be good of this City. Signd by order of the Common Councill.

HA: GANSEVOORT, Clerk.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of y<sup>e</sup> said City on the 2 day of July, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Gerrit Marselis, John R. Bleeker, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Evert Wendell, Ha: Gansevoort.

This Board orders the Clerk to sign an order upon their Treasurer to let Benjamin Winne have six Skipple Wheat, and to charge his Account for y<sup>e</sup> same.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 19 August, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Gerrit Marselis, Volkert P. Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Evert Wendell, Ha: Gansevoort.

Whereas the Constables elected for the first and second wards of this City of Albany are gone upon the Expeditions, and that there may be no failure of Justice for the want of proper officers put the Law in execution, the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty by vertue of the powers and authorities given by their Charter to make by-laws for the good regulation of this City, provided the same be not repugnant to y<sup>e</sup> Laws of England, do hereby order and direct that the Inhabitants of the first and second wards do meet together on the twenty-first day of the month of August, and then to elect and chuse two able and sufficient persons for Constables in each of y<sup>e</sup> said wards, and that y<sup>e</sup> Aldermen of y<sup>e</sup> said wards give notice to y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants y<sup>e</sup> day before y<sup>e</sup> Election, and that they make return of y<sup>e</sup> persons so elected in the Clerk's office as usual.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany, at the City Hall of the said City on the 29 day of September, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Jacob Ten Eyck, Gerrit Marselis, Volkert P. Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John R. Bleeker, Ha: Gansevoort.

This day being appointed by the Charter for choosing and electing Corporation officers, the following persons were chosen, to witt:

First Ward.—Johannis Van Sante and Volkert P. Douw, Aldermen; Evert Wendell and Jacob Van Schaick, Assistants; Abraham Cooper and Jacob De Garmo, Constables.

Second Ward.—Jacob Ten Eyck and Gerrit Marselis, Aldermen; John R. Bleeker and John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Assistants; Henry Tielin and John Mase Bloemendal, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Constables.

Third Ward.—Abraham Douw and Joh<sup>s</sup> Ten Eyck, Aldermen; Harme Gansevoort and Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Assistants; Gerrit Wilhelmus Van Den Bergh and William Ger<sup>t</sup> Van Den Bergh, Constables.

This Board appoints John Roseboom for City-Chamberlain; Johannis Seeger, Marshall; Jacob De Garmo, High Constable.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 14 day of October, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Volkert P. Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Jacob Ten Eyck, Gerrit Marselis, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Evert Wendell, Abraham Yates, John R. Bleeker, Ha: Gansevoort.

Hans Hansen, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him Mayor and Clerk of the Market of this City and Coroner of the said City and County for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test, and was sworn to the due execution of y<sup>e</sup> said offices.

Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him High Sheriff of the City and County of Albany, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test, and was sworn to the due execution of said office.

Volkert P. Douw, Johannis Van Sante, Jacob Ten Eyck, Gerrit Marselis, Abraham Douw and Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, being chosen Aldermen for the year ensuing, took said Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test, and sworn to the due execution of their offices.

Evert Wendell, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John R. Bleeker and Harme Gansevoort, Assistants, took the said Oaths, signed the Test, were sworn to the due execution of their office.

Jacob De Garmo took the said Oaths, signed the Test, was sworn to the office of High Constable for the ensuing year.

Henry Fielding, John Bloemendall, Gerrit W. Van Den Bergh, William G. Van Den Bergh, took the said Oaths, signed the Test, and swor to the due execution of the office as Constable.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 21 day of October, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Evert Wendell, Ha: Gansevoort.

This Board has agreed with Philip De Foreest for a room in his House to keep an Officer's guard, at the rate of twenty shillings a month, and to scrub the same one shilling every week.

And it is Resolved by this Board to procure Wood for the said Officer's guard and for the Watch in the Block house No. 7, upon the credit of the Province of New York.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 8 day of November, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Gerrit Marselis, Jacob Van Schaick, Evert Wendell, Abraham Yates, John R. Bleeker, Ha: Gansevoort.

Resolved by this Board, that the Treasurer sell all the Wheat in his custody at 4s 7d.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Skipple; to make the first offer to the Bakers of the City, and if they do not incline to buy, then to sell it to any other person.

Ordered, That the Treasurer let Joh<sup>s</sup> Seger have 9 Skipples Wheat, and charge his Account for y<sup>e</sup> same.

This Board appoints the following persons Fire Masters for the ensuing year :

Cornelis Van Santvoord, Jacob Coeper, first ward.

Barnardus Harse, Sander Lansing, second ward.

Schibolet Bogardus, Philip Mullen, third ward.

Ordered, That Warrants be given the Fire Masters of each ward accordingly, and that the Clerk sign the same, by order of Common Council.

Resolved by this Board, That Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck and John R. Bleeker, agree with some person for to remove the Watch house from Gansevoort Dock to a Lot of ground lying next to the house of Jesse De Foreest; the said Lott belongs to the above named Jacob Ten Eyck and Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, and when the same is removed and completed, to render an exact account of the cost and charges in Common Council, that order may be given upon their Treasurer for the payment thereof.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 21 day of December, 1755—Present, the Mayor, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Volkert P. Douw, John Beekman, John R. Bleeker, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Evert Wendell, Jacob Van Schaick, Ha: Gansevoort.

Resolved by this Board, That the Clerk draw an order upon their Treasurer to pay John Ja<sup>c</sup> Raeliff £5 for last year Sellary to ring the Bell.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 10 day of January, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Abraham Douw, Volkert P. Douw, John R. Bleeker, Jacob Van Schaick, Evert Wendell, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ha: Gansevoort,

An Ordinance was published for the assize of Bread. A Loaf of the finest white Flower of 2 Coppers to weigh  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a lb, a Loaf for 4 Copper to weigh 1  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb.

This Board ordered that the Clerk draw an order upon their Treasurer to pay Cornelis Van Duesen the sum of £3 as  $\frac{3}{4}$  agreement.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 3 day of February, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Abraham Douw, Gerrit Marselis, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ha: Gansevoort, Jacob Van Schaick, Evert Wendell.

The following Ordinances were this day published :

For the due observance of the Lord's day.

For cleaning the Pavements before the Houses and Lotts.

Resolved by this Board, That the Clerk draw an order upon their Treasurer to lett William Hogan, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Michael Besset and Johannes Seger each have six Skipple Wheat and charge their Accounts for the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on 13 day of Feb: 1756—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, Gerrit Marselis, Jacob Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw, Evert Wendell, Jacob Van Schaick, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ha: Gansevoort, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

This Board have agreed with Mr. Adam Yates for a piece of Ground lying outside of y<sup>e</sup> Stockadoes joyning to a piece of Hay Land belonging to the said Adam Yates, for the space of eight years at ten shillings each year (That is to say) if the Corporation don't dispose of y<sup>e</sup> said Lott or want the same for the use of y<sup>e</sup> City.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 2 day of March, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Abraham Douw, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Volkert P. Douw, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Evert Wendell, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ha: Gansevoort.

Johannis Gansevoort delivered his Account to this Board amounting to £8:6, which being allowed and ordered to be paid out of the Wheat bought of the Treasurer last year.

Resolved by this Board, That the Treasurer sell all the Cities Wheat that is now unsold to Johannis Gansevoort @ 4s. 7d.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Skipple.

Bernardus Bratt, Jun<sup>r</sup>, made out his Account which he had against the City to this Board, amounting to £4:7, which being deducted out of £12:10 for five years Rent for the Ferry, remains £8:3, which this Board ordered to pay to their Treasurer, and that his Receipt shall be a sufficient discharge.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 8 day of April, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Gerrit Marselis, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, Evert Wendell, Abraham Yates, Ha: Gansevoort.

Resolved by this Board, That Phillip John Schuyler shall have the Ferry on the west side thereof for the ensueing year, that is from the fourth day of April, 1756, untill the 4 day of April, 1757, upon a condition in case that if the expedition continues then he is to pay five pounds, otherwise but three pounds.

Harme Gansevoort agreed for Johannis Ten Broek for East side upon the same conditions as is above agreed with Phillip John Schuyler.

An Ordinance published this day to regulate the Ferry between the Lemits of the City of Albany and Green Boesh and to establish the ferriage thereof.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 12 day of April, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Gerrit Marselis, Jacob Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw, Abraham Douw, John R. Bleeker, Abraham Yates, Ha: Gansevoort.

Resolved by this Board, That the Clerk draw an order upon the City Treasurer to pay the following persons, to witt:



To Johannis H. Ten Eyck the sum of ten shillings.  
To Volkert P. Douw three shillings and sixpence.  
To Abraham Yates, Junr, thirty shillings for to pay Mr. Peter Silvester for the Corporation.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 22 day of May, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Gerrit Marselis, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Jacob Van Schaick, Evert Wendell, Abraham Yates, Ha Gansevoort.

The following Ordinances were this day published :

For regulating Cartmen.

For cleaning the Streets and the repairing of the same before the 18 day of June next.

Ordered that the Clerk draw a Petition and send Joh<sup>s</sup> Seger round by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty to have it signed, to be sent to his Excellency Sir Charles Hardy, K<sup>t</sup>, &c. The Petition is as follows, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To his Excellency Sir Charles Hardy, K<sup>t</sup>, Captain General and Governor in Chief of the Province of New York and Territories depending thereon in America, and Vice Admiral of the same. The Humble Petition of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany,

Humbly Sheweth,

That whereas this Corporation have for several times heretofore petitioned to your Excellency's predecessors setting forth the ruinous condition of the Fortifications about this City, we therefore take the liberty again to acquaint your Excellency of the poor condition of the Fortifications about this City are in, the Stockadoes which were two years ago in a manner mended by putting up new ones in the room of the old and rotten, but to our grief the most part have been distroyed last winter by the regulars, and the Block houses converted into Barracks for the Soldiers and can not be of any use for a defence of this City, and the poor Inhabitants are in no condition to get new Stockadoes, for all our waggons and horses are employed in either the King's or Country's service, so that our City lays open and defenceless ; it is true here is a Regiment of regular Soldiers incamped at present out the City on the hill, which is as yett some dependence, but very apparent that they will in a short time go on their march and we left without a sufficient number of men to guard us, as our City will then lay open and defenceless, the greater part of our young men are employed in the service out of town, and a small number of Indians may come and russ in a surprise the City and sett it on fire, which may be thought by some people as a desperate undertakeing, but in reality it is easely to be done. And should our Army that goes to Crown Point be attacked as probably they will be and overpowed, what an eesay thing will it be for the Enemy to come and take Albany, with our own provisions, amonition, artillery, &c.

We therefore pray such relief in the premises as your Excellency shall think meet, and your Excellency's Petitioners as in duty bound shall ever pray.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 22 day of June, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Volkert P. Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Gerrit Marselis, John R. Bleeker, John Beckman, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Van Schaick, Evert Wendell.

An Ordinance published for selling of Flesh runt\* as followeth :

Be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Comonalty of the City of Albany in Comon Council convened and be it ordained by authority of the same, that from and after the twenty-fifth day of June, that no person or persons shall ask or demand more than four pence for a lb of Mutton, four pence half penny for a lb of Beaf, Veal or Lamb, and for every head and pluck of a Calf one shilling and sixpence, for head and pluck of a Sheep ninepence, for head and pluck of a Lamb sixpence ; if any of the Butchers or other person or persons shall presume to ask or offer to sell for more as above rated shall forfeit the sum of ten shillings for every offence, to be recovered by any person for his own use that shall sue for y<sup>e</sup> same before y<sup>e</sup> Mayor, Recorder or any one of y<sup>e</sup> Aldermen of this city. Dated y<sup>e</sup> 22 June, 1756.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on y<sup>e</sup> 10 July, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Gerrit Marselis, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Van Schaick, John R. Bleeker, Evert Wendell, Ha: Gansevoort.

An Ordinance published for regulateing Tavernkeepers, which runs thus:

Be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Comonalty of the City of Albany in Comon Council convened, and be it ordained by the authority of the same, that no Tavernkeeper or any other person or persons whatsoever, from and after the publication hereof presume to sell any strong Liquor, harbour or entertain any of his Majesties regular Troops, or to any other Soldier now in his Majesties service after nine of the clock at night, on forfeiting the sum of twenty shillings for every offence, to be recovered by any of the Constables, who are each in their turn to go round the City, one half thereof to be paid to the City Treasurer for the behoof of this City, the other half for his own use that shall sue for the same before the Mayor, Recorder or any one of the Aldermen of this City. Dated this 10 day of July, 1756.

Resolved by this Board, That the Clerk draw a deed to the Minister, Church wardens and Vestry men of St. Peter Church in the City of Albany, for them and their successors in trust for ever for a p<sup>t</sup> of Ground for a Burying Place lying upon the hill adjoining the Fort, agreable to a Map made by John R. Bleeker, and that the Mayor execute a deed and cause the City Seal to be thereunto affixed in behalf of the Corporation.

Ordered that the Clerk sign an order to pay the following persons, to wit:

To Jesse Foreest	- - - -	£4:10:0.
To Phillip De Foreest,	- - - -	2: 8:0.
To John R. Bleeker,	- - - -	3: 8:6.

To Joh<sup>s</sup> Seger all the Wheat in your custody if it don't exceed 6 Skipple.

Rundvleesch, beef.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on the 24 day of August, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Johannis H. Ten Eyck, Gerrit Marselis, Johannis Van Sante, Volkert P. Douw, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Junr, Evert Wendell, Jacob Van Schaick, Abraham Yates, Ha: Gansevoort.

An Ordinance published against firing Guns or any other small Arms within this City or the Liberties thereof.

Be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Comonalty of the City of Albany in Common Council convened, and be it ordained by the authority of the same, that no person or person whatsoever from and after the publication hereof, shall presume to fire with a Gun or any other small Arms within the limitts of this City shall forfeit the sum of three shillings for every default, to be recovered by any person and for his use that shall sue for the same before the Mayor, Recorder or any one of the Aldermen of this City. Dated in Albany this 24 day of August 1756.

Mr. Joseph Van Sante delivered an Account to this Board of £2:1:8, which is allowed and ordered that y<sup>e</sup> Clerk draw an order upon the City Treasurer to discharge the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on 16 day of September, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Volkert P. Douw, John Beekman, Junr, Evert Wendell, Jacob Van Schaick, Abraham Yates, Junr, Ha: Gansevoort.

Whereas the Ordinance formerly made by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of this City for the electing two Constables in each ward of this City is expired of its own lemitation, it is hereby ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Assistants of this City, that on the 29 day of this instant, September, shall be chosen in each ward two petty Constables, of which the Aldermen in each ward or any of them shall make their return with the rest of the City officers.

The following Accounts were allowed and in order of Comon Council drawn on y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer to pay the same :

To Gerrit Van Vranke, - - -	£4: 4: 1½
To Gerrit Lansing, - - - -	1:13: 0
To Johannis Cluet - - - -	0:17:10½

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 29 day of September, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Volkert P. Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John R. Bleeker, Evert Wendell, John Beekman.

This day being appointed by the Charter for choosing and electing Corporation officers, the following persons were chosen to serve for the year ensuing, according to y<sup>e</sup> directions of y<sup>e</sup> Charter, vizt :

First Ward.—Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Volkert P. Douw, Aldermen; Egbert Brat, Phelip J. Schuyler, Assistants; Jacobus Van Sante, Abraham I. Yates, Constables.

Second Ward.—John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Junr, Aldermen; Jacob Lansing, Junr, Hendrick Bleeker, Junr, Assistants; Hendrick Pruyn, Gerrit Van Yvere, Constables.

Third Ward.—Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Aldermen; Harmee

Gansevoort, Abraham Yates, Assistants; Daniel Bratt, Joh<sup>s</sup> Muller, Constables.

John Roseboom, Treasurer; Johannis Seger, Marshall; Hendrick Pruyne, High Constable.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the house of Jacob Sawyer, on the 11 day of October, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Volkert P. Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Evert Wendell.

Resolved by this Board, That Peter Silvester Esq<sup>r</sup>, be made a freeman of the City of Albany for the reasons set forth in the Freedom.

Upon a consideration of the Small Pox breaking out in this City and fatal Consequence that may attend it, and being willing to remedy it as much as in us lay, we unanimously resolve That all and every person who now have the Small Pox be sent out of the City.

We further resolve immediately to endeavour to procure as convenient a place as can be had to accommodate the sick and to allow the person whose house shall be taken for the same what is reasonable.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on the 12 day of October, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw, Evert Wendell, John R. Bleeker, Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Pursuant to a Resolution made yesterday, Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Douw and Wendell endeavoured to get the house of Mr. Holland, out of Town, for to put in the sick of the Small Pox, but could not get the consent of the owner, and no other convenient place can be obtained.

Resolved, That every Family who now have the Small Pox in their houses shall not suffer any person to come in their houses nor go abroad themselves, but keep the house as close as possible.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on y<sup>e</sup> 14 day of October, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Volkert P. Douw, Evert Wendell, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John R. Bleeker, Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Sybrant G. Van Schaick, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him Mayor and Clerk of the Market for the City of Albany and Coroner of the said City and County for y<sup>e</sup> ensueing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed y<sup>e</sup> Test, and was sworn to the due execution of said offices.

Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him Sheriff for y<sup>e</sup> City and County of Albany, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test, and was sworn to the due execution of said office.

Volkert P. Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, being chosen Aldermen for the year ensueing, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of said office.

Egbert Bratt, Phelip J. Schuyler, Jacob Lansing, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Assistants, took said Oaths, signed the Test, and were sworn to the execution of their office.

Hendrick Pruyne took the Oaths, signed the Test, sworn to y<sup>e</sup> due execution of the office of High Constable.

Gerrit Van Yvere, Jacobus Van Sante, Joh<sup>s</sup> Jacob Muller, Daniel Brat, Jun<sup>r</sup>, took the Oaths, and sworn in the office as Constables for the ensuing year.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on 6 day of November, 1756—Present, Sybrant G. Van Schaick, Mayor, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Lansing, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Phelip Schuyler, Egbert Bratt.

This Board appoints the following persons Fire Masters for this City for the ensuing year, viz<sup>t</sup>:

Abraham Coeper, Joghum I. Staats, first ward.

John Ja<sup>c</sup> Beekman, John H. Roseboom, second ward.

Joh<sup>s</sup> Becker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Isaac de Foreest, third ward.

Ordered, That Warrents be given to the Fire Masters of each ward accordingly, and that the Clerk sign the same by order of Common Council.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on the 21 day of November, 1756.—Present, the Mayor, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Philip Schuyler, Jacob Lansing, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ha: Gansevoort.

Resolved by this Board, That the Clerk draw an order upon the Treasurer to pay John I. Reatliff £5 for his service to ring the Bell this year, and that the Clerk sign the same in behalf of the Comon Council.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 7 day of December, 1756—Present, the Mayor, Johannis H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Volkert P. Douw, Phil: J. Schuyler, Ja: Lansing, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ab: Yates, Ha: Gansevoort.

The following Letter wrote to his Excellency Sr Charles Hardy, Knight, Governour, Commander and Chief of the Province of New York, &c., &c.; &c.

Sr—Mr. Stephenson having declined the Recordership and refused to qualify himself as such, makes it necessary that some other person should be appointed to fill up that office, for we cant hold a Mayor<sup>s</sup> Court without the Mayor or Recorder is present, and the Mayor besides personal accident as Coroner he is lyable to be called abroad, we would therefore be glad if your Excellency would be pleased to appoint some other person to officiate as Recorder. We are with all due respect your Excellencys

Humble Servants.

Signd by order of Common Council.

H: GANSEVORT, Clerk.

An Ordinance for preventing the sale of Rum or any other Spirituous Liquor to the Soldiers.

Whereas, Sundry complaints have been made, and in particular by the Right Honourable Lord Viscount Howe, of the great abuse in selling Rum and other strong Liquors to Soldiers, which by means of their continual drinking impairs and weakens their constitutions and renders them unfit for duty, and we being conscious of the justness of the complaint as well as the mischiefs that may arise from the said abuse, and being willing to remedy it as much as in us lays, Be it therefore ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany, and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same, that no person whatsoever after publication

hereof presumes to sell any Rum or other strong Liquors to any Soldier or Soldiers whatsoever, or to any other person for their use, and in case any person or persons shall be convicted before the Mayor, Recorder, or one of the Aldermen, of selling any Rum or other distilled Liquor as afores<sup>d</sup> to any Soldier or Soldiers, she or they so offending shall for the first offence forfeit the sum of twenty shillings current money of New York, and for every like offence after, the sum of forty shillings, to be levied by distress and sale of the offenders goods, one half for the benefit of the informer and the other half for the use of the City. Dated in Albany, this seventh day of December, 1756.

Resolved, That an order be drawn upon the Treasurer to pay Mr. Peter Silvester £5 and that y<sup>e</sup> Clerk sign the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 3 day of January, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Joh<sup>s</sup> Ten Eyck, John Beekman Jun<sup>r</sup>, Volkert P. Douw, Abraham Douw, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Jacob J. Lansing, Harme Gansevoort.

John G. Roseboom, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission for Recorder of the City of Albany, took the Oath appointed by law, signd the Test, and sworn to the due execution of the office of Recorder and Justice of the Peace for the City and County of Albany.

Abraham Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Hendrick Bleeker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, and Harme Gansevoort, Assistants, took the said Oaths appointed by Law, and sworn to the due execution of their offices.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 10 day of January, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John R. Bleeker, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John Beekman, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Volkert P. Douw, Abraham Yates, Henry Bleeker, Jacob J. Lansing, Philip J. Schuyler.

This Board delivered to Mr. Peter Silvester the Deed and Bond of Daniel McMichael to the Corporation for the Verfbergh.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 28 day of January, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Volkert P. Douw, Abraham Douw, Philip J. Schuyler, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Lansing, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

An Ordinance published to prevent Accidents by unruly Riding.

At a Common Council held for City of Albany on the 12 day of March, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Joh<sup>s</sup> Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Abraham Douw, Abraham Yates, Hendrick Bleeker, Jacob Lansing, Philip J. Schuyler, Ha: Gansevoort.

Resolved by this Board, That the Clerk sign an order upon the Treasurer to let Joh<sup>s</sup> Seger have nine Skipple of Wheat and charge his account with the price currant for the same.

At Comon Council held for the City of Albany, at the City Hall of the said City on the 29 day of March, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John Beekman, John R. Bleeker, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, Abraham Yates, Philip J. Schuyler, Egbert Bratt, Ha: Gansevoort.

Patrick Magee presented a Petition to this Board which is taken into consideration.

An Ordinance published for regulateing Cartmen.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 17 day of May, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Volkert P. Douw, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Hendrick Bleeker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Harmee Gansevoort.

An order published for cleaning the streets.

Mr. Peter Yates presented a Petition in Common Council, which is taken into consideration for a peice of Land in the Foxes Creek.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the the said City on the 30 day of June, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, Volkert P. Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> Beekman, Jacob Ja: Lansingh, \*Henry Bleeker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ha: Gansevoort.

This day sold to William Van Sante and John Prys a Lott of ground scituate, lying and being in the First Ward of the City of Albany, on the south side of the Rutten Kill and adjoining to the said Kill, beginning in a certain point which is ninety feet distant from the north east corner of the house of Johannis Wyngard, bearing from the said north east corner the same course as the Roa of house stands where the said Joh<sup>s</sup> Wyngard now dwells and runs from the said Point with the same course forty feet to the said Rutten Kill, and then westerly along the said Kill keeping the same breath of forty feet till it shall be one hundred and thirty-seven feet on a streight line, all English measure, for which Lott of ground as above described the said William Van Sante and John Prys agree to pay forty pounds New York money by the delivery of the Deed.

Resolved, That the Mayor in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Comonalty, execute a Deed for said Lott of ground and cause the City Seal to be thereunto affixed.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 6 day of July, 1757—Present, the Mayor, John Bleecker, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John Beekman, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Abraham Douw, Volkert P. Douw, Jacob Ja: Lansing, Henry Bleeker, Ha: Gansevoort.

This day sold to Gerrit Van Sante, Jun<sup>r</sup>, a piece of Ground scituate, lying and being in Third Ward of the City of Albany, near the water side on the east of the street, beginning at a certain point which is distant thirty feet on an easterly course from the north east corner of S<sup>r</sup> William Johnson Lott, and then running northerly twenty-five feet along the street, and so back towards the River, carrying the full breath of twenty-five feet till it shall be twenty feet backwards towards the River, all English measure; which piece of ground as above described the said Gerrit Van Sante, Jun<sup>r</sup>, agrees to pay £37:10, New York money, by the delivery of the Deed.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on the 21 day of July, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John Beekman, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John R. Bleeker, Henry Bleeker, Jacob Lansing, Phil: J. Schuyler. Ha: Gansevoort.

Mr. Gerrit Lansing, Jun<sup>r</sup>, produced his Account for reaping the Engine house, amounting to 7s 9d, which is allowed and ordered that the Treasurer pay the same.

Mr. Neeltje De Foreest produced an Account for Candles found for the Guards from the 3 day of July 1756 to the first day of July 1757, amounting to £31:18, which is allowed by this Board and ordered that the Clerk pay the same out of the money arising by the sail of a Lott ground sold William Van Sante and John Prys, and the remainder to be paid to the City Treasurer.

Mr. Volkert P. Douw delivered an Account fore repairing the Bridge near his house, amounting to £11:12:6, ordered the Treasurer pay y<sup>e</sup> same.

At a Comon Councill held for the City of Albany, at the City Hall of the said City on the 20 day of August, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Volkert P. Douw, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Phil John Schuyler, Henry Bleeker, Ju<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Ja: Lansingh.

The Ordinance made and published the 22 day of June, 1756, is now renewed with the following regulations, viz:

For every lb of all kind of meat 4d; for every head and pluck of a Calf 1s. 6d; for every head and pluck of a Sheep 9d; for every head and pluck of a Lamb 6 pence.

And it is furthered ordered that every of the Butchers that shall kill and sell meat within the jurisdiction of this City shall provide himself with a good scale and weights; the weights to be marked by Mr. Robert Lansing, who is thereunto appointed by this Board, and that no Butcher shall promise meat to any person before hand, and whatever person shall ask first for meat at the place where the meat is sold shall be first helped to it, on penalty of 10s. for every offence.

An Ordinance published for marking of Bread according to the rates prices hereafter mentioned viz: a Loaf of finest flower 4 lb 12 ounces for 8 Coppers; a Loaf do. 2lb 6 ounces for 4 Coppers; a Loaf do. 1 lb 3 ounces for 2 Coppers. To be in force the 25 day of August, 1757.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on 29 day of September, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Volkert P. Douw, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Hendrick Bleeker, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ha. Gansevoort.

This day being appointed by the Charter for choosing and electing Corporation Officers, the following persons were chosen to serve for the year ensuing, according to the direction of the Charter, viz:

First Ward.—Johannis Van Sante and Volkert P. Douw, Aldermen; Barnardus Bratt and Philip John Schuyler, Assistants; Joseph Wells and Peter Cranell, Constables.

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Third Ward.—Abraham Douw and Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Aldermen;



Harme Gansevoort and Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Assistants, Daniel Bratt and John Goewyck, Constables.

This Board appoint John Roseboom, City Treasurer; Johannis Seeger, Marshall; Daniel Bratt High Constable.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 14 day of October, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Johannis Van Sante, Abraham Douw, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Johannis H. Ten Eyck, Henry Bleeker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Ja: Lansingh, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Phil John Schuyler, Ha: Gansevoort.

Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Abraham Douw, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman and Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, being chosen Aldermen for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and were sworn to the due execution of their said office.

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At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 15 day of November, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Volkert P. Douw, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Henry Bleeker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Ja: Lansing, Ha. Gansevoort.

This Board appoints the following persons Fire Masters for this City for the year ensuing, to wit :

Daniel Hallenbeek, Maas Bloemendal, for the first ward.

Isaac Douw Fonda, Jacob Bleeker, for the second ward.

Marte Winne, Anthony E: Bratt, for the third.

Ordered that Warrants be given to the Fire Masters of each ward accordingly and that the Clerk sign the same in behalf of the Corporation.

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Upon application of the Butchers of this City it is ordered and resolved that they shall sell all kind of meat at five pence  $\frac{7}{8}$  lb, excepting Lamb, till further ordered.

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Resolved by this Board, That orders be given to the Treasurer to discharge the above account, and that the Clerk sign the same in behalf of the Corporation.

Ordered that the Clerk sign an order upon the Treasurer to pay Johannis Seger three pounds, and charge his account with the same.

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Ordered that the Clerk sign an order upon the Treasurer to pay Johannis Seger three pounds, and charge his account with the same.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on the 24 day of November, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Volkert P. Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Hendrick Bleeker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Ja. Lansing, Ha: Gansevoort.

Resolved by this Board, that the Petition presented to the Earl of Loudon the 11th day of this instant month of November, be entred on record, which runs as follows, viz' :

That your Lordships memorialists being informed that your intention is to quarter a large body of Troups in this City, and that the Inhabitants must find them with Beding and other necessaries, we beg leave most humbly to represent to your Lordship the great hardship it will be for the Inhabitants to find them therewith, as many of them can hardly find fuel and covering for themselves, which consequently will cause great difficulty to some, and be the intire ruin of others, we therefore most humbly pray that your Lordship will be pleased to mitigate said order, and lessen the number of Troups to be quartered, and we beg leave further to assure your Lordship that we shall at altimes exert our utmost abilities to make every thing as easy and convenient for his Majesties service as our circumstances will admitt off, and it shall be our constant endeavour on all occasions to cultivate a good understanding, between the Troups & Inhabitants that no detriment happens to his Majesties service, from any disputes that might unavoidably happen. All which we most humbly submit to your Lordship, beg that your Lordship will take our case into consideration, and do therein as in your great wisdom your Lordship judges proper.

Resolved, That the Clark give Joh<sup>s</sup> Seeger an order on the Treasurer to pay him three pounds and charge it to his account, and that Clerk sign the said order in behalf of the Common Council.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 3 day of December, 1757—Present, the Mayor, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John Beekman, John R. Bleeker, Abraham Yates, Phil: J. Schuyler, Ha: Gansevoort.

Whereas Daniel Halenbeek having been appointed Fire Master for the First Ward of this City, and being informed that he is removed in the country, this Board appoints Isaac Fryer Fire Master for the year ensueing together with Maas Bloemendall who being already appointed for that purpose.

Resolved by this Board, That two market houses be built, one in the Frst ward and one in the Third ward of this City, and that the Comon Council with the Aldermen speak to some persons that will undertake to find the Timber and Carpenters work, and that they shall satisfy them for so doing.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany on the 12 day of December, 1757—Present, the Mayor, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Philip J. Schuyler, Henry Bleeker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ha: Gansevoort.

Resolved by this Board, that three Carpenters be employed to build a Bridge across the Normans Creek for the ease of the Inhabitants in getting fire wood, the expenses to be paid by the Corporation.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 23 day of December, 1757—Present, the Mayor, John Beekman, John R. Bleeker, Joh<sup>s</sup> Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Abraham Douw, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Ja Lansing, Ha: Gansevoort.

Neeltie De Foreest produced an account of £11, which is allowed.

Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante produced an account of £5:5, which is allowed, £1:18 to be paid out of the said account to Henry Douw.

Resolved by this Board, that an order be drawn on the Treasurer to pay the above accounts and that the Clerk sign the same, by order of Common Council.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany, on the 17 day of March, 1758—Present, the Mayor, Johannis H. Ten Eyck, Johannis Van Sante, Abraham Douw, Henry Bleeker, Jacob Ja: Lansing, Phil J. Schuyler, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ha: Gansevoort.

Whereas on the 29 September last Joseph Wells and Peter Cranell, chosen Constables for the First ward, and Ebenezer Roberson for the Second ward of the City of Albany, and whereas the said Joseph Wells and Ebenezer Roberson are Entered in the Battoe servise and Peter Cranell removed out of the City, wherefore it is ordered and resolved on by this Board, that an election be held on the 21 day of this instant month of March, for to choose two Constables in the said First ward and one for the Second ward of this City, and that the Aldermen of the wards do give notice accordingly.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 29 day of March, 1758.

An Ordinance published for preventing the sale of Rum or any other spirituous Liquor to the Soldiers.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the first day of April, 1758.

Daniel Bratt in behalf of his father Barnardus Bratt, Jun<sup>r</sup>, agreed with this Board for the Ferry on the west side for y<sup>e</sup> ensuing year for seven pounds current money of New York.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 6 day of May, 1758.

Several of the principal Inhabitants of this City appeared and desired this Board that our Grievances may be represented to the Governour, Council and General Assembly.

Resolved, That the Mayor, John R. Bleeker, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John De Peyster and Jacob Ten Eyck, be a Committee appointed by this Board to draw up the facts of our grievances, that the same be sent to one of the Attorneys in New York to put the same in form.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 21 June, 1758.

The following Ordinances renewed and published, viz<sup>t</sup>:

An Ordinance for regulateing Carmen.

An Ordinance for cleaning the Streets.

An Ordinance published the 22 June, 1756, with some regulations added the 20 August, is now renewed and published according to the rates and prices hereafter mentioned, viz':

For every lb of all kind of Beaf, Mutton, Lamp, &a, sixpence.

For every head and pluck of a Calf 21 pence.

For every head and pluck of a Sheep 12 pence.

For every head and pluck of Lamp 9 pence.

The above Ordinances to be in force the next day after the 22 day of this instant month of June.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 15 day of July, 1758.

The Ordinances regulating the rates and prices of all kind Flesh, &a, is renewed and published as follows:

For every lb of all kind Beaf, Mutton, Veal, Lamp, &a., 4½d.

For every head and puck of a Calf 21d.

For every head and puck of a Sheep 12d.

For every head and pluck of a Lamp 9d.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 29 day of September, 1758—Present, the Recorder, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Volkert P. Douw, Abraham Yates, Phil: J. Schuyler, Henry Bleeker, Ha: Gansevoort.

This day being appointed by the Charter for electing Corporation officers, the following persons were chosen to serve for the year ensuing, according to the directions of the Charter. viz':

First Ward—Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante and Volkert P. Douw, Aldermen; Barnardus Bratt, Jun<sup>r</sup> and Peter Lansingh, Assistants; Joh<sup>s</sup> Jilles de Garmo and Isaac Fryer, Constable.

Second Ward—Jacob Ten Eyck and Jacob Ja: Lansing, Aldermen; Henry Bleeker and John Hansen, Assistants; Matheus Aerse and Cornelis Van Scherluynne, Constable.

Third Ward—Abraham Douw and Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Aldermen; Harme Gansevoort and Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Assistants; Gerrit Rosebom and Gerrit Dun Bar, Constables.

This Board appoints John Rosebom, Chamberlain; Joh<sup>s</sup> Seeger, Marshall, and Isaac Fryer, High Constable.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 2 day of October, 1758—Present, the Mayor, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, John Beekman, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Volkert P. Douw, Barnardus Bratt, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Henry Bleeker, Jacob Ja: Lansing, Ha: Gansevoort.

This Board allows the following accounts and order the Clerk to draw upon the Treasurer to pay the same, to witt:

To Gerrit Lansing,	- - - -	£0:10:0
To Gerrit Van Sante,	- - - -	0: 9:9
To William Hogan, Jun <sup>r</sup> ,	- - - -	1: 7:0

Deducting nine and ninepence for the use of the City Auger.

This day sold to Abraham Lansing and Gerrit A. Lansing a certain piece of ground lying in the Second ward of the said City, adjoining on

the North part of the house and lott of the said Abraham and Gerrit, is in breadth on the front by the Parel street thirteen feet, and rear on the west nine feet, in length from east to the west fifteen rod and eight feet and half feet, all Ryland measure, for which piece of ground above described the said Abraham Lansing and Gerrit A. Lansing agrees to pay £40 New York currency by the executing of the deed, Provided that the said Abraham Lansing and Gerrit A. Lansing do release to Gerrit Roseboom a certain piece of ground adjoining on the north part of the lott of the said Gerrit Roseboom, is in breadth on the front by the Parel street nine feet eight inches, in the rear on the west six feet and six inches, and in length from east to west fourteen rod ten feet, all Ryland measure, for the same forty pounds above mentioned.

Resolved, That the Mayor in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty execute a deed to the said Abraham Lansing and Gerrit A. Lansing for said piece of Ground, and cause the City Seal to be thereunto affixed.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 14 day of October, 1758—Present, the Mayor, John G. Roseboom, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, Joh<sup>s</sup> Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, John Beekman, John R. Bleeker, Volkert P. Douw, Abraham Douw, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Henry Bleeker, Philip J. Schuyler, Barnardus Bratt, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ha: Gansevoort.

Sybrant G. Van Schaick, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission for Mayor of the City of Albany, &c., for the ensueing year, and took the Oaths appointed by Law, signd the Test, and was sworn into the office of Mayor and Coroner for the City, and Justice of the Peace for the City and County of Albany.

Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission for Recorder of the City of Albany, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signd the Test and was sworn for the due execution of the office.

Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission for High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany, took the Oaths and signd the Test and sworn to the due execution of the office.

Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Jacob Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, being chosen Aldermen for the ensueing year, took the Oaths, signd the Test and sworn to the due execution of their office.

Barnardus Bratt, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Peter Lausingh, Henry Bleeker, John Hansen, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, and Harne Gansevoort, took the Oaths, signd the Test and sworn to the due execution of their office.

Joh<sup>s</sup> Jilles de Garmo, Cornelis Van Scherluyne, Matthewes Aerse, Gerrit Roseboom, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Gerrit Dun Barr, took the Oaths, signd the Test, sworn to the due execution of the office of Constable.

Isaac Fryer took the Oaths, signd the Test, sworn to the due execution of the office of High Constable.

Whereas on the twenty-ninth day of September last past, Volkert P. Douw was elected Alderman for the first ward of the City of Albany, and whereas since that time, to witt, on the fourteenth day of October following, he produced a Commission for Recorder of this City, took the Oaths, signd the Test and sworn into his office, wherefore it is ordered and resolved by this Board that a new election be held on the twentieth of this instant month for chusing an other Alderman for the said first ward, and

that Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Alderman for said ward do give notice accordingly.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 17 day of October, 1758—Present, the Mayor, Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Jacob Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, John Hansen, Henry Blecker, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Ordered and Resolved by this Board, That Gerrit Van Vranke remove his drain from the Kings High road into the Creek, between this and the twenty-eight day of this instant month of October, on forfeiting six shillings for every day after that day, and that he be served with a copy of this order, the Clerk to sign the same. by order of Common Council.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 2 day of November, 1758—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Henry Blecker, Peter Lansing, John Hansen, Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Sybrant G. Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, and Jacob Jacobse Lansingh, being chosen Aldermen for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signd the Test and sworn to the due execution of their office.

This Board appoints the following persons Fire Master for the ensuing year :

Johannis Eversee, John L: Reatcliff, first ward.

Abraham H. Cuyler, John Gert Marselis, second ward.

Wilhelmus Van Antwerpe, Jilles Winne, third ward.

Ordered that Warrents be given to the Fire Masters of each ward accordingly, and that the Clerk sign the same, by order of the Corporation.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 20 day of January, 1759.

Resolved by this Board, that all the [Lottery] Tickets that are not sold by Monday the twenty-second instant, the Managers are to deliver the same to the City Treasurer, and he is to dispose of as many as he can, and those that remain unsold to be at the risque of the City.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 19 day of February, 1759.

Resolved by this Board, That S<sup>r</sup> William Johnson, Bar<sup>t</sup>, may have the ground behind his house and lott where Patrick Magee has lately build on, that is to say, the breath of his lott on the street and then sixty foot long down toward the River at the rate of forty shillings a foot on the street, and that the Mayor execute a deed for the same in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Comonalty.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 29 day of May, 1759—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Sybrant Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Abraham Douw, Barnardus Bratt, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Hansen, Henry Blecker, Peter Lansing.

Jacob Ten Eyck, Jacob Lansingh, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Henry Blecker, and John Hansen, being a Committe appointed by this Board to examine the several Accounts with the City Treasurer in order that Treasurer pay the same, and in case any difficulty should happen that they may lay them before



the Common Council, and that the Committe put up advertisements that all persons that have any demand may bring in their Accounts on or before the ninth day of June next, and sign them with the Clerks name, by order of Common Council.

This Board have agreed with the Treasurer to receive, pay and settle the several accounts for the thousand pounds raised by Publick Lottery. Ordered by this Board that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Ha: Gansevoort and Gysbert Fonda pay the thousand pounds raised by the Publick Lottery to the City Treasurer, and that an receipt shall be their sufficient discharge for the same.

An Ordinance renewed and published for cleaning the streets.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 21th day of June, 1759.

Whereas Joh<sup>s</sup> Jilles De Garmo was chosen a Constable on the 29 day of September last for the first ward of this City and now employed in his Majesties service, wherefore it is Resolved by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the said City, that on the 23d day of this Instant month, an Election be held for to chuse one Constable for the said first ward in the room of the said Joh<sup>s</sup> Jilles De Garmo, and that one of the Aldermen give notice accordingly.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 22 day of June, 1759.

The Ordinance regulateing the rates and prices of all kinds of Flesh, &a, is renewed and published as follows:

For every lb of all kind of Beaf Mutten, Veal, Lamb, &a, 5d.

For every head pluck of a Calf, 21d.

For every head and pluck of a Sheep, 12d.

For every head and pluck of a Lamb, 9d.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 26th day of June, 1759.

An Ordinance regulating Carmen renewed and published. [See in the Ordinance Book.]

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 21th day of July, 1759—The Mayor, Jacob Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Syb<sup>t</sup> Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Jacob Lansing, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Henry Bleeker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Hansen, Peter Lansingh.

Resolved by this Board, that the Clerk sign an order by order of Common Council to pay the following Accounts, being examined by the Committee appointed for that purpose, viz<sup>t</sup>:

To the Estate of Nicolas Bleeker,	To Jacobus Reatliff,	£1: 8: 1	
Jun <sup>r</sup> ,	£ 4:15:5	To John Van Duesen,	12:
To Isaac Swits,	6:12:4	To Gysbert VanDen Bergh,	1: 8: 6
To Johannis Hun,	2:17:3	To Jacob Vischer,	11
To Barnardus D. Bratt,	19:7½	To Ulderick Van Vranken,	2:19
To Anthony Bratt,	30: 2:6	To Cornelis R. Van Veghte,	2: 9
To Anthony A. Bratt,	1: 9	To Joh <sup>s</sup> Van Arnem & Joh <sup>s</sup>	
To Jacob Bogardus,	8:16:6	Becker,	13: 6: 9

To John Beckman,	£3: 8:9	To Jacobus Van Valken-	
To Michael Besset,	2:12:6	burgh,	15
To Martin Beckman,	16:9	To Claas Van Den Bergh,	24: 1:
To Johannis Becker,	1:14:8	To Peter Van Woert,	1
To Harmee Bogardus,	19:1½	To Wilhelmus Van Den	
To Johannis Cluct,	1: 8:6	Bergh,	11:00:10½
To Jesse De Foreest,	13:6	To Hendrick G. Van Ness,	1:19
To Philip De Foreest,	3: 7:6	To Gulian Verplank,	7: 2
To Volkert H. Douw,	1	To Hendrick Van Schoon-	
To John De Peyster,	3:10:4	haver,	19: 6
To Wouter N. Groesbeek,	8: 1	To Tunis Vielen,	5: 4: 6
To Hendrick Gerve,	12:8	To Kiliaen Winne,	3: 6
To Hans Hansen, Junr,	9	To Evert Wendell,	4: 4
To William Hylton, Junr,	1:19	To Robert Wendell,	9
To Wouter Knickerbacker,	18	To Joseph Yates,	5: 6
To Isaac Kip,	16:6	To Coenraet Ten Eyck,	2: 5: 6
To Gerrit Lansingh, Junr,	10: 2:6		
To Gerrit Lansingh,	9: 8:9		
To Sybrant Quakenboss,	10		
			£206: 3:10½

This Board allows the following Acc<sup>ts</sup> and order the Clerk to sign an order upon the Treasurer to pay the same :

To Jacob Dox,	£00:17
To the Widow of Peter Dox,	3
To the Executors of Philip Livingston, Esq <sup>r</sup> ,	91: 6
To Philip Livingston,	4:16:4
To Ha: Gansevoort as Clerk from 1751, first October, to the first October, 1758, seven years, Paper included, (@ £15:18 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> year,	111: 6

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Joh<sup>s</sup> Pruyn's Negro Eight for his Extraordinary Service.

It is further Resolved that the severall Accounts not sworn to, that the persons that have a just demand swear to their Acc<sup>ts</sup> before one of the Aldermen, that then the City Treasurer may pay the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 13 day of September, 1759.

The following Accounts were allowed and order of Common Council drawn on the Treasurer to pay the same :

To Volkert P. Douw,	£23:14:10
To Jacob Bogart,	19:08: 6
To Gerrit Roseboom,	8: 0: 0
To Abraham Lott,	3: 0: 0
To Johannis Knickerbacker,	2:10: 0

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on the 29 day of September, 1759—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Lansing, Junr, Jacob Ten Eyck, Sybrant Van Schaick, Junr, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Abraham Douw, John Hausen, Barnardus Bratt, Peter Lansing, Ha: Gansevoort.

This day being appointed by the Charter for choosing and electing Corporation Officers, the following persons were chosen to serve for the ensuing year, according to the direction of the Charter, viz :

First Ward.—Johannis Van Sante and Syb<sup>t</sup> Van Schaick, Junr, Alder-

men; Peter Lansing and Harmanus Schuyler, Assistants; Maets Bloemendal and William Macintosh, Constables.

Second Ward.—Jacob Ten Eyck and Jacob Lansing, Junr, Aldermen; Henry Bleeker and John Hausen, Assistants; Hendrick Williams and Jacob Harse, Constables.

Third Ward.—Abraham Douw and Volkert Douw, Aldermen; Jacob Van Schaick, Junr, Abraham Ten Broeck, Assistants; Gerrit Van Der Berg, Wynant Van Alstyn, Constables.

This Board appoints John Roseboom for their Chamberlain, and Joh<sup>s</sup> Seger, Marshall for the ensuing year.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany on the 8 day of October, 1759—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Abraham Douw, Syb<sup>t</sup> Van Schaick, Junr, Jacob Ten Eyck, Jacob Lansing, Barnardus Bratt, Peter Lansing, John Hansen, Ha: Gansevoort.

This Board agreed with John Wilson to be Publick Whipper for the City of Albany for the space of six months from the date hereof for the sum of ten pounds corrant money of New York.

Ordered that the Clerk let John Wilson have one Shirt, one pair Shoes, one pair Stockings and one pair Breches on his wages.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 14 day of October, 1759—Present, the Mayor, Jacob Ten Eyck, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Jacob Lansingh, Junr, Joh<sup>s</sup> H. Ten Eyck, Abraham Yates, Barnardus Bratt, Peter Lansingh.

Syb<sup>t</sup> G. Van Schaick, Esqr, produced a Commission appointing him Mayor and Clark of the Market for the City of Albany and Coroner for the City and County of Albany for the ensuing year.

Jacob Van Schaick, Esqr, produced a Commission for High Sheriff of the City and County of Albany, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test, and sworn to the execution of his office.

Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Jacob Ten Eyck, Jacob Lansing, Junr, and Volkert Douw, being chosen Aldermen for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of their offices.

Peter Lansing, Harmanus Schuyler and Jacob Van Schaick, Junr, Assistants for the ensuing year, took the Oaths, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of their offices.

Henry Williams, High Constable, Jacob Harse, Maas Bloemendall, William Macintosh, Gerrit G. Van Den Bergh and Wynant Van Alstyn, Petty Constables for the ensuing year, took the Oaths, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of their offices.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 14 day of November, 1759—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Lansingh, Junr, Volkert Douw, Abraham Douw, Syb<sup>t</sup> Van Schaick, Jacob Van Schaick, Junr, Harmanus Schuyler, John Hansen.

Sybrant G. Van Schaick, Esqr, Mayor, took the Oaths appointed by Law, sign'd the Test and sworn to the due execution of his offices.

Abraham Douw, and Sybrant Van Schaick, Junr, being chosen Aldermen for the ensuing year, took the Oaths, sign'd the Test, sworn to the due execution of their offices.

John Hansen, Henry Bleeker and Abraham Ten Broeck, Assistants, took the Oaths, sign'd the Test and sworn to the due execution of their offices.

This Board appoints the following persons Fire Masters for the ensueing year, to witt :

Solomon Hays, Luykas Hoogkerk, first ward.

Cornelis Van Scherluyne, Casparus Pruyn, second ward.

Isaac Van Arnem, Volkert G. Van d Berg, third ward.

Ordered that Warrants be given to the Fire Masters of each ward accordingly and that the Clerk sign the same, by order of Common Council.

John Kidnie made application for to buy the house and lott on the Gallows hill, formerly possessed by Rob<sup>t</sup> Flint, which this Board will take into consideration.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 21 day of November, 1759—Present, the Mayor, Abraham Douw, Volkert Douw, Syb<sup>t</sup> Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Lansing, John Hansen, Abraham Ten Eyck, Henry Bleeker, Jacob Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Harmanus Schuyler, Peter Lansingh.

Thomas Williams produced an Account of £7:10, which was expended at the Entertainment of S<sup>r</sup> William Johnson, Bar<sup>r</sup>, which is allowed by this Board and ordered that a Warrant be drawn on the Treasurer to pay the same, the Clerk to sign the same, by order of the Common Council.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 3d day of March, 1760.

Resolved, that an order be drawn on the City Treasurer, to pay Thomas Williams £20:14:10 in full of his Account, and to Johannis Seger £5, and not to discount with Johannis Seger till he produces his Indenture in the Common Council for the Land on the Gallows hill.

The Committe heretofore appointed for examining the Accounts against the City are to remain, and Abraham Ten Broeck to joyn the said Committee for the purpose aforesaid.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 12th March, 1760.

Sybrant Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, produced an Account amounting to £5:4:3, which being allowed and ordered that the Treasurer pay the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany, on the 15th March, 1760.

This Board agreed with Jacob Buljin for the house and lott he now dwells in on the Gallows hill, at the rate of forty shillings  $\frac{7}{9}$  year during their pleasure.

Mr. Timothy Conner produced an Account of £10:8, which is allowed and ordered that the Treasurer pay the same.

This Board ordered that no Butcher, or any other person whatsoever, shall offer, sell or expose for sale any Calfs meat under twenty-one days old, under the penalty of forty shillings, one half to the Informer and the other half to the Poor. If any difficulty should arise about the age of the Calf, the proof shall lay with the Butcher or such person as exposed the same for sale, that the Calf was of the age above mentioned.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 3d day of April, 1760—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Syb<sup>t</sup> Van Schaick Jun<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Lansingh, Volkert Douw, Peter Lansingh, Abraham Ten Broeck, John Hansen.

To the worshipful the Mayor and Corporation of the City of Albany.  
The Petition of the Subscribers, Inhabitants of the Jonker street,  
Most Humbly Sheweth,

That your Petitioners daily experience the many inconveniencys that attend the great scarcity of water in their Street and Neighborhood, and having a just sense how fatal the Consequences of any Accidents by fire must prove to them, have therefore voluntary subscribed amongst themselves such a sum of money as they hope will be sufficient to defray the expense of bringing water in Pipes from the hills, collecting it in Reservoirs and erecting pumps. But as some people who have not now subscribed to this so usefull and necessary undertaking will when it is compleated [enjoy] all the advantages equal with any of the subscribers unless prevented by proper authority, we therefore beg the Mayor and Corporation for a conveyance of it to us, our heirs and assigns, under proper restrictions, and to that end that every citizen may be a partaker of the ease and advantage of it, we beg leave that a clause may be inserted by which one may be a member provided he pays unto the Trustees to be appointed by the subscribers the sum of twenty shillings or eight shillings annually, and conform himself to the Articles of the Agreement. That this Plan may be agreeable and meet with the approbation of the Mayor and Corporation, is the sincere prayer of

Resolved by this Board, that the Petitioners to the above Petition have an Instrument drawn consisting with the above Petition, that the Mayor will sign the same and cause the Seal of this City to be thereunto affixed, by vertue of this Resolution.

Mr. Abraham Ten Broeck produced an Account in behalf of the Patroon for the fire wood of this City from the 1st day of June, 1745, to the 22<sup>d</sup> day of November, 1759, amounting to £159:3:10, out of which is to be £39:3:10 for Saw Logs cut out of the right of the City for many years past.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order upon the City Treasurer to Mr. Abraham Ten Broeck £120 in full for the above account, and sign the said order in behalf of the Common Council.

Whereas a number of Gentlemen residing in this City, have signified to the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany, that they are desirous of establishing a Prysbyterian Church in the same.

This is to certify that the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Commonality of the City aforesaid do very much approve of so laudable an Intention, and promise that they will do every thing in their power to encourage and promote the same, and that the Mayor sign this in behalf of the Corporation and the Clerk affix the City Seal to it.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 5th day of April, 1760.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Joh<sup>s</sup> Seeger £33:2, which is the Balance due to him for his Sellory as to the 14th day of October, 1759.

Ordered that the Clerk write to Daniel McMichal to settle the rent for

the house and land at Verbergh by the 15th Instant with the Corporation of the City of Albany.

An Ordinance regulating Carmen renewed and published.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 2d day of June, 1760.

The Ordinance regulating the rates and prices of all kind of Flesh, &c., is renewed and published as follows:

For every lb of all kind Beef, Mutton, Veal, Lamb, &c., 5d.  $\frac{2}{3}$  lb.

For every head and pluck of a Calf 21d.

For every head and pluck of a Sheep 12d.

For every head and pluck of a Lamb 9d.

To commence the 10th day of June Instant.

Also an Ordinance renewed and published for cleaning the Streets.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 15 July, 1760.

An account of Joh<sup>n</sup> Hun being produced of £3:4, for fourteen Chairs and one Easy Chair for the Council Room, which is allowed and ordered that the Treasurer pay the same.

Resolved by this Board, That the Clerk put up Advertisements that a Lott of ground on the north side of the House of Abraham Lansing, dec<sup>d</sup>, where Mr. William Curry now dwells in, of thirty \* \* \* \* foot English measure broad, and in length as the Lott of said Lansing, will be sold at Publick Vendue to the highest Bidder, on Friday the first day of August next at three of the clock in the afternoon at City Hall of this City, with a reserve of ten shillings to be paid yearly and every year to the City Treasurer for the use of this City.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 30th day of July, 1760—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Jacob Lansingh, Volkert Douw, Abraham Douw, Peter Lansingh, Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, John Hansen, Jacob V. Schaick.

Whereas a Resolution was made the 16th day of this Currant month of July, that the Lott of ground lying on the north side of the house and lott of Abraham Lansing, dec<sup>d</sup>, was to be sold at Publick Vendue by the Mayor and Corporation, and whereas the Mayor having business out of the town, it therefore Resolved by this Board that the Recorder together with the Aldermen and Assistants sell the said lott according to the advertisement, and that the Mayor shall execute the deed in behalf of the Corporation.

Resolved by this Board, That owners of the ground adjoining the Rut in Kill and the Foxes Kill leave a passe of eight foot for the water, and that the Aldermen of this City overlook the same.

According to the above Resolutions a Deed being executed by the Mayor to Isaac D. Fonda, who was the highest Bidder, and the money paid to the Treasurer, £151, on ye 29 August, 1760.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 29th day of September, 1760—Present, the Mayor, Johannis Van Sante, Abraham Douw, Syb<sup>l</sup> Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Volkert Douw, Peter Lansing, Harmanus Schuyler, John Hansen, Jacob V. Schaick, Abraham Ten Broeck.

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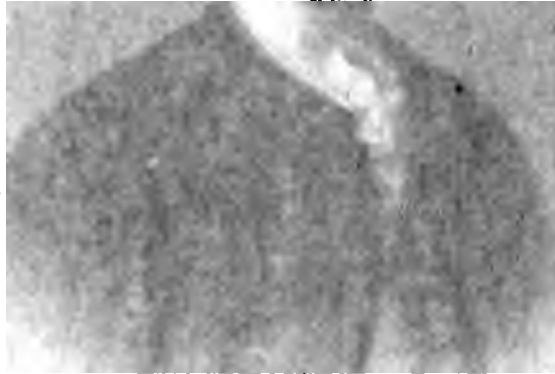


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ration officers, the following persons were chosen to serve for the ensuing year, according to the directions of y<sup>e</sup> Charter, viz<sup>t</sup> :

First Ward—John Henry Lydius, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Aldermen; Harmanus Schuyler, Martin Mynderse, Assistants; Roeliff Seeger and William Staats, Constables.

Second Ward—Jacob Ten Eyck, Jacob Lansing, Aldermen; John Hansen, Henry Bleeker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Assistants; Peter Hansen, Abraham Verplank, Constables.

Third Ward—Cornelis Ten Broeck, Harm<sup>o</sup> Wendell, Aldermen; Jacob V. Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, Assistants; A<sup>m</sup> Schuyler, Christopher Yates, Constables.

This Board appoints Mr. John Roseboom for their Chamberlain, and Johannes Seeger, Marshall for the ensuing year.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 11th day of tober, 1760.

Oredered that an order be drawn on the City Treasurer to pay Richard Howard £6:16, which the Corporation expended at the Entertainment of Sir William Johnson, Bar<sup>t</sup>, and that the Clerk sign the same, by order of the Common Council.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 14th day of October, 1760—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Abraham Douw, Joh<sup>s</sup> Van Sante, Jacob Ten Eyck, Jacob Lansingh, Volkert Douw, Abraham Ten Broeck, John Hansen, Jacob Van Schaick, Henry Bleeker.

Sybrant G. Van Schaick, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him Mayor and Clark of the Market for the City of Albany and Coroner for the City and County of Albany for the ensuing year, took the Oath appointed by Law, signd the Test, sworn to the due execution of the offices.

Jacob Van Schaick produced a Commission for High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test, sworn to the due execution of his office.

Jacob Ten Eyck, Jacob Lansing, Cornelis Ten Broeck, Harmanus Wendell and Barent H. Ten Eyck, being elected Aldermen for the ensuing year, took the Oaths, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of their offices.

Harmanus Schuyler, Martin Mynderse, John Hansen, Henry Bleeker, Jacob Van Schaick and Abraham Ten Broeck, Assistants, took the Oaths, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of their offices.

Abraham Schuyler, High Constable, Roelif Seger, William Staats, Abraham Verplanck, Constables, took the Oaths, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of their offices.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 25th October, 1760—Present, the Mayor, Jacob Ten Eyck, Jacob Lansing, Cornelis Ten Broeck, Harmanus Wendell, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Martin Mynderse, John Hansen, Hendrick Bleeker, Jacob Van Schaick, Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck.

John H. Lydius, Esq<sup>r</sup>, being chosen Aldermen for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by law, signed the Test, sworn to the due execution of his office.

The following Accounts were allowed and an order of Common Council to be drawn on the City Treasurer to pay the same, and that the Clerk sign by order of Council.

To John Clute, - - - - -	£0: 7:0
Abraham De Foreest, - - - - -	0: 7:0
William Hun, - - - - -	0: 7:0
Dirck Hun, - - - - -	0: 8:0
To 18 Planks, 4s, - - - - -	3:12:0
Carting Plank & Ryding Timber, - - - - -	0: 7:0
To Jacob Lansing for 100 Planks, 4s. 6d, - - - - -	22:10:0
To John Oothout for Ryding 8 days, 12s, - - - - -	4:16:0
To hand to help him Load, - - - - -	1: 0:0
Two for bringing down the Planks, - - - - -	0:16:0
Joh' Daet for Riding Timber, - - - - -	5: 4:0
To Peter Vosburgh, for do, - - - - -	4: 8:0
The Cartmens Bill, - - - - -	1:10:6
To Isaac Fonda, Bill, - - - - -	22:11:9

£68: 4:3

The above Bill is materials and making the Bridges.

To Jacobus Van Sante & Jacob Hylton, - - - - -	5:19:3
To Staats Van Santvoort, - - - - -	1:12:0
To John Williams, Goaler, - - - - -	2:15:0
To Jacob Ten Eyck, - - - - -	0: 7:0
To Abraham Douw, for the ballance of his Acct, - - - - -	17:18:4
To Peter Lansing, - - - - -	1: 1:6
To David Van Derheyden, - - - - -	22: 0:0

£119:17:4

Ordered that the Aldermen and Common Council see the Bridges finished, and bring in the Accounts that the same may be paid.

Mess<sup>r</sup> Joseph Yates and Thomas Williams, made application to this Board to buy the Creek as far as they bound upon the said Creek, which this Board takes into consideration.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 13th day of November, 1760—Present, the Mayor, John H. Lydius, Cornelis Ten Broeck, Harmanus Wendell, Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, Jacob Van Schaick, John Hansen.

The following Accounts were allowed and ordered that the Clerk draw upon the Treasurer to pay the same, by order of Common Council.

To John Hansen, - - - - -	£4: 1:0
To Wilhelmus Van Den Berg, Jun <sup>r</sup> , - - - - -	2: 4:3
To Volkert Van Den Berg, - - - - -	0:10:6

Ordered that the Clerk pay Claas Van Den Bergh three pounds for wood for the Bun fire at the King's Birth day.

This Board appoints the following persons Fire Masters for the ensuing year, to witt:

Thomas Lansing, Ab<sup>m</sup> Joseph Yates, first ward.

Henry Williams, Jacob Harse, second ward.

Harmanus I. Wendell, Jan Gerse Yates, third ward.

Ordered, That Warrants be given the Fire Masters of each ward accordingly, and that the Clerk sign the same, by order of Common Council.

An Ordinance regulating Carmen renewed this day.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 4th day of December, 1760.

This Board agrees with Mr. Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck for the fire wood for the ensuing year at the usual price, which is £11.

This Board allows the following Accounts :

- To Mr. Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck for the fire wood of this year till 22 November, 1760, - - - - - £11: 0:0
- To Harme Gansevoort, as Clerk from 1st October, 1758, to the 1st October, 1760, - - - - - 31:16:0
- To Jacobus Reatlift to Ring the Bell one year, - - - - - 5 0:0
- To Joh<sup>s</sup> Seger for his Sellary till the 1st October, 1760,

Ordered that the Clerk draw on the Treasurer to pay the above Account as soon as he has money.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 11th day of December, 1760.

Resolved by this Board, That the Clerk put up Advertisements that a peice of Land lying on the Gallows hill containing between 10 and 11 acres, as <sup>is</sup> Draft to be seen at the time of sale, to be sold at Publick Vendue on Saturday the 20th day of this current month, by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty at two of the clock in the afternoon at the City Hall in the City of Albany.

Mr. Gerardus Groesbeek produced an Account of six shillings which is allowed and ordered to be paid.

Resolved by this Board, That they shall provide and see the people paid that keep the officers from the 24th November, 1760, untill the first day of April, 1761.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 20th day of December, 1760.

Pursuant to a Resolution made in Comon Council the 11th day of this currant month of December, this Board sold the peice of Land at Publick Vendue to Coll: John Henry Lydius for £300 currant money of New York and a reserve of £2 of like money to be paid yearly and every year, containing eleven acres three rod and eight perches, according to the Draft now at the time of sale exhibited, and that Mr. John R. Bleeker, who made the survey, explain the courses to have the Deed drawn by, and that the Clerk draw the deed accordingly.

Resolved by this Board, that the Mayor execute the same Deed and cause the City Seal to be thereunto affixed in behalf of the Common Council, and upon payment of the money the deed to be delivered.

The following Accounts were allowed and ordered that the Treasurer pay the same :

- To Philip Van Veghte, - - - - - £6: 0:0
- To Barent H. Ten Eyck, - - - - - 1:18:9
- To William Hylton, - - - - - 2: 2:0
- To John Hansen the opening the west gate, 10: 3:8

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on 13th day of February, 1761.

The Ministers, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Dutch Church of the City of Albany presented a Petition in Common Council which this Board will take in consideration.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 19th day of February, 1761.

Resolved by this Board, that Mr. John R. Bleeker run the South and North Line of this City next Monday if the wether will permit, and that Mr. Bleeker provide himself with Chain bearers and mark every mile, for which this Board will pay his fees and disbursements.

This Board having taken into consideration the Petition presented to this Board by the Minister, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Dutch Church of this City the last meeting, It being Resolved by this Board that Mr. John Bleeker make a survey of the land sett forth in their Petition, leaving sufficient room for highways, for which this Board is to give a Deed to the said Minister, Elders and Deacons and their successors for ever, for and in consideration of fifty pounds current money of New York and a reserve of twenty shillings  $\text{ƒ}$  annum for ever.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the first day of May, 1761.

Mr. John R. Bleeker produced an Account of sundry charges in runing the City line amounting to £18:8, which is allowed and ordered that the same be paid.

Resolved that the Memorial Mr. John De Peyster delivered some time ago to the Corporation of this City relating to the destroying of the Indian Deed Tiononderoga be delivered to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Volkert P. Douw and Abraham Ten Broeck in order to be laid before Council at Law in New York in behalf of the Corporation.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 2d day of May, 1761.

An Ordinance regulateng Carmen renewed and published.

Whereas William Staats was chosen one of the Constables on the 29th day of September last for the first ward of this City and now being gone for Niagara, wherefore it is Resolved by this Board that on the 7th day of this currant month of May an election be held for to chuse one Constable for the said first ward in the room of the said W<sup>m</sup> Staats, and that one of the Aldermen of said ward give notice accordingly.

A Petition of John Christie was presented to this Board for some Land at the Sand Bergh as in the said Petition is set forth.

Resolved that John Christie have four acres of Land at the Sand Bergh and not to exceed that quantity, with liberty to build a house, &c, to have it three years at the rate of one Peper Corn  $\text{ƒ}$  annum; after the expiration of said three years to agree for the annual Rent with the Corporation of this City, this Agreement to commence the 10th of this instant, May 1761.

Resolved by this Board, that the Mayor execute a Deed in behalf of this Corporation for 153 acres of Land, according to Mr. John R. Bleeker's survey produced to this Board, to the Minister, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Dutch Church of the City of Albany on the payment of fifty pounds consideration money, and that the Mayor cause the City Seal to be thereunto affixed.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 22d day of June, 1761.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order upon the Treasurer to pay Timo-

thy Conner £10:13:6, and Mr. Robert Lansing for the ballance of his Account, £7:18:11.

This day sold to Johannis N. Groesbeeck a peice of Land lying at Schaghtecook, commonly called and known by the Indian Land or Island, lying between the Land of Daniel Fort, dec<sup>l</sup>, and the Land of the heirs Abraham and Isaac Fort, dec<sup>l</sup>, for and in consideration of the sum of £430 currant money of New York, and a reserve of thirty Skipple of good winter wheat, to be paid yearly and every year for ever to the Corporation and their successors; £200 to be paid by the delivery of the Deed, £100 more within one year next ensueing and £130 the year then following, upon condition that the said Joh<sup>n</sup>. N. Groesbeeck is to satisfy the Indians that have a lawfull claim on said Land.

An Ordinance renew'd and published for cleaning the streets, to commence the 25th Inst. all kind Beaf 6d, for a head & pluck of a Calf, 21d, for a head and pluck of a Sheep 12d, for a Lamb 9d.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 23 day of June, 1761—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Harmanus Wendell, Jacob Lansing, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Henry Lydius, Jacob Ten Eyck, Barent Ten Eyck, Cornelis Ten Broeck, Marte Mynderse, Harmanus Schuyler, John Hansen, Abraham Ten Broeck.

Harmanus Schuyler, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission whereby he is appointed High Sheriff for the City and County of [Albany] from the 18th June, untill the 14th October next ensueing, took the Oaths appointed by Law, subscribed the Test and sworn to the due execution of his office.

Whereas Coll. John Henry Lydius bought at Publick Vendue a peice Land lying on the Gallows hill, containing eleven acres three rod and eight perches, according to the survey thereof made by Mr. John R. Bleeker, exhibited at the sale on the 20th day of December, 1760, which the said Coll. John Henry Lydius now refuses to take according to the sale made by vertue of a resolution made in Common Councill the 11th day of December, 1760, Wherefore it is Resolved and ordered that the Clerk put up Advertisements that the said peice of Land is to be sold at Publick Vendue on the fifteenth day of July next ensueing at three of the clock in the afternoon of that day at the City hall of the said [City] by the Mayor or the Recorder, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany.

This Board has this day agreed with Mr. Robert Lansingh to take care of the fire Engine and have it cleand and in good order for three pounds current money of New York  $\text{₹}$  annum.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 15th day of July, 1761—Present, Syb<sup>t</sup> G. Van Schaick, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Mayor, Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, and six Aldermen.

Pursuant the Resolution made the 23d of June last, this Board meet in order to sell the peice Ground advertised by that Resolution and no bidders have bid high enough, therefore it remains Corporation Ground.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 10th day of September, 1761.

Resolved by this Board, that the Mayor execute a Deed to Jacobus Reatlif for seven years on condition that the Deed be void on the tender

of one shilling to the Lessee for a Tract of Land scituate, lying and being in the City of Albany on the Sout of Beaver Kill, beginning where said Kill emptyes itself into Hudsons River, striking from thence southerly to opposite the hay land belonging to the heirs of Gysbert Marselis, dec<sup>d</sup>, thence due west along the south bounds of the pasture of the first part the same distance from the River as the Saw Mill of the heirs of Daniel Bratt, from thence northerly to the aforesaid Beaver Kill, and thence easterly along the said Kill to the place where it first begun.

Wilhelmus Smith presented a Petition to this Board for sixty acres of Land on the Wouten bergh between the north line of the City of Albany and the Edge of the hill which lays on the north side of Foxes Creek, it is the opinion of this Board not to sell so large a parcell to one person.

Patrick Magee presented a Petition for a small vacant Lott which lies unimproved on the north side of his; it is Resolved by this Board that the said Patrick may have it for five years at the rate of twenty shil<sup>s</sup> per year.

Angenietje Groesbeek offers to this Board a peice of Land at Schagkook formerly belonging to Corset Vedder, commonly known by the name of Flackje; as also another peice, being the full moiety or half part of four morgan formerly granted by the Corporation to Gerret Van Schaick, which this Board refuses to buy.

Resolved by this Board, that the Mayor execute a Deed to Johannis N. Groesbeek, pursuant to the agreement made the 22d day of June last past, as by the Minutes may more fully appear. The said Johannis N. Groesbeek produced the Indian Deed to this Board, which Deed is to be left with the Mayor according to agreement.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany on the 29th September, 1761.

This day being appointed by the Charter for chosin and electing Corporation officers, the following persons were chosen to serve the ensueing year according to the directions of the Charter, viz:

First Ward.—Barent H. Ten Eyck, Peter Lansing, Aldermen; Marte Mynderse, Henry I. Bogart, Assistants; Thomas Seeger, James Halenbeek, Constables.

Second Ward.—Jacob Ten Eyck, Frans Pruyn, Aldermen; John Hansen, Gysbert Fonda, Assistants; John Scott, Nicholas Marselis, Constables.

Third Ward.—Cornelis Ten Broek, Volkert Douw, Aldermen; Jacob Van Schaick, Abraham Ten Broek, Assistants; Tuenis H. Visher, Jacob G. Lansing, Constables.

This Board appoints John Roseboom for their Chamberlain; Johannis Seeger, Marshall; James Hallenbeek, High Constable.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany on the 14th October, 1761—Present, the Mayor, Jacob Ten Eyck, John H. Lydius, Jacob Lansingh, Harm<sup>s</sup> Wendell, Cornelis Ten Broek, Henry Bleeker, John Hansen, Abraham Ten Broek, Jacob Van Schaick, Marte Mynderse, Harmanus Schuyler.

Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, demanded of the Mayor to render an account of the money he had received for the several freedoms, which the Mayor refused.

Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him Mayor



and Clerk of the Market for the City of Albany and Coroner for the City and County of Albany for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, sign'd the Test, sworn to the due execution of the offices.

Harmanus Schuyler, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him High Sheriff of the City and County of Albany, took the Oaths appointed by Law, sign'd the Test, sworn to the due execution of his office.

Jacob Ten Eyck, Cornelis Ten Broek, Barent H. Ten Eyck, Frans Pruyne, Volkert Douw and Peter Lansing, being chosen Aldermen for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, sign'd the Test, and sworn to the due execution of their offices.

Jacob Van Schaick, Abraham Ten Broek, John Hansen, Marte Mynderse and Henry I. Bogart, Assistants, took the Oaths appointed by Law, sign'd the Test, and sworn to the due execution of his office.

James Hallenbeck, Thomas Seeger, John Scott, Nicholas Marselis, Jacob G. Lansingh, and Tunis Visser, Constables, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test, sworn to the due execution of their offices.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 19th day of October, 1761—Present, the Mayor, Cornelis Ten Broeck, Jacob Ten Eyck, Frans Pruyne, John Hansen, Marte Mynderse, Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, Henry I. Bogart, Jacob Van Schaick.

Resolved by this Board, That no freedom be given to a Merchant under £3:12, and a Tradesman £1:16, and that the Mayor shall have out of each freedom twelve shillings for his own use, and the remainder to be returned to the Clerk who is to have one shilling to affix the Seal to each freedom, or any other instrument.

It is further Resolved that no License be given to any Tavern keepers then that is sealed with the City Seal, for which they are to pay twenty shillings, one half thereof to the Mayor and the other half to be returned to the Clerk for the use of the City, deducting one shilling to the Clerk for the Seal and keeping an exact Account.

The Inhabitants of the second ward have made application to this Board for leave to bring and lay a drain in the well opposite the house of Mr. John Beekman from the hill. Resolved that they have leave accordingly to lay it in such a manner as they shall think proper without hindrance to any other drain.

Claes Speck agreed with this Board for forty shill<sup>s</sup> for four years past, and henceforth twenty shillings yearly for the Lott of ground he dwells on.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 23d October, 1761.

John Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him Recorder for the City of Albany, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of his office.

Ordered that the Clerk give an order upon the City Treasurer to pay Jacobus Reatlyff five pounds for ringing the Bell last year and sign the same, by order of Comon Council.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 26th day of October, 1761—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Peter Lansing, Frans Pruyn, Cornelis Ten Broeck, Volkert Douw, Jacob Ten Eyck, Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, Henry I. Bogart, Jacob Van Schaick, Marte Mynderse, John Hansen.

Resolved that the freedom of this City be presented to the Reverend Eliardus Westerlo, Minister of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in the City of Albany, out of a particular regard this Board has towards his person and function, and the unwearied diligence in discharge of his duties of his calling since his arrival in this City: That the Mayor sign the said freedom in behalf of this Board and that the Clerk affix the City Seal to it and sign his name as Clerk thereto. The Mayor to deliver the same this evening in the presence of this Board.

Resolved that any three of the Aldermen of this City shall have the same liberty of granting freedoms as the Mayor and under the same restrictions made at Common Council the 19th instant.

Ordered that the Clerk shall not receive any money of Sybrant G. Van Schaick, late Mayor, for Freedoms, Lycences or any other moneys which of right belong to this City, but by order of Common Council.

Resolved that Volkert P. Douw & Abraham Ten Broeck, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, employ Mr. William Smith, Jun<sup>r</sup>, and William Livingston, or any other two Gent<sup>l</sup> they shall think proper in behalf of this Board to prosecute Syb<sup>r</sup> G. Van Schaick, late Mayor of this City, for the sum of £500 in the next Supreme Court to be held for the Province of New York, for money he received for Freedoms, Lycences and other monies which of right belongs to this Corporation. This Board also engages to pay such expences as may accrue in this suit to such persons who shall be employed in their behalf for that purpose, and that the Clerk deliver a copy of this Resolution to the above named Gentlemen.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 29th October, 1761.

In consequence of a Resolution of this Board the 10th day of September last, the Mayor executed a Deed for the purpose thereby intended, but some error haveing been made in the same, it is therefore Resolved that a Deed be drawn mending said error, which was accordingly done and delivered after the City Seal was thereunto affixed, by order of this Board.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on the 7th day of November, 1761.

Mr. Gysbert Fonda being chosen Assistant for the second ward, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of his office.

Jacobus Reatliiff produced an Account of nine shilling, which is allowed and ordered that the Clerk give an order upon the Treasurer to pay the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 30th day of November, 1761.

This Board appoints the following persons Fire Masters for the ensuing year, to wit:

Peter Ryckman, Henry I. Wendell, for the first ward.

Rynier Van Yveren, Hendrick Pruyn, for second ward.

Maas Bloemendal, Cornelis Van Veghte, for third ward.

Ordered that Warrents be given to the Fire Masters of each ward accordingly and that the Clerk sign the same, by order of Comon Council.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 18th January, 1762.

This Board allows the following Accounts and orders the Clerk to draw upon the Treasurer to discharge the same :

To John Hansen,	- - - - -	£5: 4
To Jacob Van Schaick,	- - - - -	1:14
To Jacobus Van Benthuyzen,	- - - - -	1:13

Whereas a Resolution made in Comon Council the 19th day of October last that no Lycense should be given under twenty shillings, which this Board is now of opinion is to much for some people, wherefore they now leave it in the discretion of the Mayor and Aldermen to take less if they see cause.

Ordered that the Clerk sign the Letter in behalf of the Corporation which is day wrote in Council to their attorneys at New York relateing the affair against Sybrant G. Van Schaick, Esqr.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 26 March, 1762.

Resolved by this Board, that Harmee Gansevoort, Clerk of the Corporation, purchase a Bill of Exchange of £55 sterling, payable to John George Liebenrood, merchant in London, and that the said Gansevoort do order the said Liebenrood to send the Corporation one Fire Engine of the fifth seize, invented by R<sup>d</sup> Newshan, at the first safe opportunity and make full insurance thereon. This Board have agreed to give a note for the money and that the Mayor sign the same in behalf of the Corporation with five per cent interest till the same is paid.

Petition presented by Mr. Edgar, Mr. McComb and Mr. Henry, which this Board takes in consideration.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 29th day of March, 1762.

This Board allows the following Accounts and orders the Clerk to give an order upon the Treasurer in behalf of Common Council to discharge the same, to witt :

To John McKnight,	- - - - -	£2:0:0
To Barent Ten Eyck, Esqr,	- - - - -	1:0:0
To Peter Lansingh, Esqr,	- - - - -	0:8:0

£3:8:0

This Board have rented to William Hogan, Junr, a peice of ground of thirty foot on the front & about fifteen foot broad, lying and being in the first ward of this City opposite his dwelling house and now in his possession, for twenty shillings a year.

This Board have also rented and to farm let to John Cornelis the house and lott of ground where he now dwels in, lying and being in the first ward of this City, having on the South the Block house called N. 1, on the North the ground belonging to this Corporation, on the East the Stockadoes, and on the west the high way that leads to the Church parster, to commence the first day of October last past for and during the term of six years at rate of £1:10 a year, and ordered that the Clerk draw the Inden-

ture and the Mayor sign the same and order the City Seal to be thereunto affixed in behalf of the Corporation.

A Petition being presented by several of the Inhabitants of the Yonkers street, which taken into consideration.

At Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 3 day of April, 1762.

An Account of Peter Martin being produced which this Board allows, and orders the Clerk to give an order to pay the same, to wit, £9:10.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 14 day of April, 1762.

An Ordinance renewed and published for cleaning the streets by the 25th of the current month of April.

An Account of Henry I. Bogart being produced and allowed by this Board, and orders the Clerk to draw upon the Treasurer to pay him £3:13:4.

A Petition being presented in Common Council on the 26th day of March last, by Mr. David Edgar and others for the Ground on which the Store House opposite to Mr. John McCombs stands, which is rejected, but will readily assist in any other peice of ground convenient for their purpose that is no detriment to the publick.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 27th day of April, 1762.

An Ordinance regulating Cartmen renewed and published.

The Mayor agreed with the Board to give Lycense to Cartmen for twelve shillins apeice and that one shilling thereof for puting the Seal, the other eleven shillings to be devided, one half to the use of the Mayor and the other half for the use of the Corporation.

Resolved by this Board that the major part of the Corporation may agree with Mr. Joh<sup>r</sup> Ten Broeck and Barnardus Bratt, Jun<sup>r</sup>, for the Ferry.

This Board have rented and to farm let the house and lot of ground on the Gallows hill where Jacob Buljin late dwelld in to Lambert Cool for three pounds lawful money of New York  $\text{p}$  year; Mr. Jacob H. Ten Eyck has promis'd to pay for the first year.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 1st day of May, 1762.

An Ordinance made and published restraining forestallers.

Ordered that the Clerk sign an order to pay Thomas Seeger eight shillings; to Peter Lansingh, Esq<sup>r</sup>, twelve shillings.

Resolved and ordered that none of the Shomakers that have their Ten-pitches in the Foxes Creek throw none of their old Tan in or near said Creek, on pain of forfeiting six shillings for each default.

Ordered that Abraham Witbeck remove the ashes from behind his Lott so that the Aldermen of the ward approve of the same, in six days after receiving Copy of this Rule, on pain of three shillings for every day he does not comply with this order, and he be served with a copy of this rule.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 17th May, 1762—  
Present, the Mayor, John Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, Jacob Ten Eyck,  
Cornelis Ten Broeck, Volkert Douw, Peter Lansing, John Hansen,  
Gysbert Fonda, Henry I. Bogart.

Resolved by this Board, that if any of the members of the Corporation of this City upon duly warning given do not attend, shall for every such neglect forfeit the sum of twenty shillings for the use of the Corporation, reasonable excuses excepted, which is to be adjusted by the Board then present.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 21st day of June, 1762.

Resolved by this Board, that all Agreements heretofore made and that now may be in force between this Corporation and Abraham Ten Broeck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, respecting the cutting of Fire wood and Timber in the Manner of Rensselaerwyck be dissolved and made void, and is hereby disannulled, dissolved and made void accordingly by the mutual consent & approbation of the said Corporation and the said Abraham Ten Broeck.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 28th day of June, 1762.

The Humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of Albany :

To his Excellency the Honourable Robert Monckton, Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Province of New York and the Territories depending thereon in America and Vice Admiral of the same, and Major General of his Majesty's Forces.

May it please your Excellency :

Your Excellency's sudden departure from your Government in obedience to his Majestys commands as General and Director of an important and very interesting Expedition against Martinico immediately after taking the administration upon you, prevented us of addressing your Excellency before upon the occasion, permit us now tho late to express our sentiments of joy and satisfaction upon our most gracious sovereign appointing a Gentleman so conspicuous in abilities and calculated and disposed to render a people easy and happy under his administration, a person whose memory will never be forgot in the latest period of time in the Northern parts of this Province for his conduct and military skill in the reduction of Quebec a place till then almost invulnerable, in the conquest of which your Excellency vastly contributed.

It was with much regret we heard of your Excellencys departure from your Seat of Government to places remote, that exposed your Excellency to innumerable dangers and difficulties, the hazards of the Seas, the unwholesomeness of the Climate and the chances of Battle rendered your Excellency liable to manifold accidents, but the Laurels you have acquired and the advantages the publick have gained sufficiently atone for your absence, and it is with redoubled joy that we hear of your Excellencys returning triumphantly to the Metropolis of your Government to take the administration.

The strength of the Fortresses as well as the consequences of their reduction with the amazing cility of the defeat with so little loss of Blood,

recent proves of your military genius and marks of your humanity and moderation and add luster to the Action.

We heartily congratulate your Excellency upon the many and great successes of his Majestys arms and upon your Excellencys arrival to your Seat of government with such exalted honours, the just reward of your merit, where we sincerely wish you may long remain and that your administration may be easy and happy, which we will every one of us respectively make our constant business to promote.

We rely upon your Excellency to protect this antient City in its rights and priviledges and we fervently wish for your Excellencys helth and happiness. We are, may it please your Excellency,

Your Excellencys most obedient Humble Servants.

An Ordinance regulateing the rates and prices of all kind of Flesh, &c., renewed & published as follows, vizt:

For every lb Beaf of all kind, Mutton, Viel, Lamb, &c., 6d.

For every head and pluck of a Calf, 21 pence.

For every head and pluck of a Sheep 12 pence.

For every head and pluck of a Lamb, 9 pence.

To commence the fifth day of July next ensuing.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 8th July, 1762.

This Board is of opinion that the Land in dispute between Huger Viele and Jacob Viele belongs to this Corporation and Huger Viele and Jacob Viele mow the hay as they use to do till further orders, and that the Clerk acquaint them herewith.

Resolved by this Board, that John N. Groesbeek and Harme Groesbeek shall have the Land they have shown to the Corporation when they were at Schagkook, for which they are to agree with the Corporation.

Peter Binneway made application for a farm of Land on the North side of Schagkooks Creek, which this Board consents that he may have if they can agree for the same.

Isaac Daniel Fort made application for a peice Land and has shown the same to the Corporation, which they consent that he may upon such terms as shall be agreed upon.

Philip Van Ness made application and shewed a peice of Land to the Corporation and they consent that he may have the same.

This Board is of opinion that Wouter Groesbeek shall have that peice of Land called and known by the name the Schat hoek upon such conditions as shall be here afterwards agreed upon.

Marte Winne made application for some wood land behind his farm at Schaagkook which he has shewn to the Corporation, and this Board consent that he may have the same as shall afterwards be agreed upon.

The Schoolmaster at Schaagkook made application to this Corporation for a peice of Wood Land which they grant him so long a time as he remains School master for that place and behaves himself well and no longer.

Ordered by this Board to pay Henry I. Bogart fifty pounds to discharge part of the charges for repairing the Court house, which is to be repaid out of the monies raised by an Act of the Lieu' Governor, the Council and the General Assembly, and the Clerk to sign the order upon the City Treasurer, by order of the Common Council.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 14th day of July, 1762.

Jacob H. Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, inclosed in his Letter his Excellencys answer, which runs as followeth :

Gentlemen—I thank you for this kind Address and Congratulation.

The City of Albany may depend on my Protection in its Rights and Privileges.

Ordered by this Board, that the Clerk make Copys of our Address and his Excellencys Answer and inclose em to Philip Livingston, Esq<sup>r</sup>, to have them inserted in the New York Gazette.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 19th July, 1762.

Peter Viele having made application to the Corporation for a parcel of wood Land which this Board will grant him provided it is no detriment to the farm of the heirs of Johannis Ouderkerk, deceased.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 26th day of July, 1762.

Ordered by this Board, that the Clerk write a Letter to Mr. Smith and the other Gentlemen concerned for the Corporation relateing the City lines to send up the Maps and Papers with their Opinion by the first opportunity.

Resolved that the Ground laying beyond the Fort to the west where the Gallows now stands, as far as the Schyt Bergje, and also the Ground on the Gallows hill be laid out in acre Lots and to be disposed of at Publick Vendue for twenty-one years on such restriction as the Corporation shall agree upon hereafter with the buyers of the same.

Ordered that Jacob H. Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, wait on Mr. William Smith, Jun<sup>r</sup>, in behalf of this Board and disire him to draw a Petition to the Governor and Council for the vacant Land that lays to the South of the City Line according as their opinion was on that matter that he set forth in the Petition that it must have been intended to have been granted to the Corporation, but suppose the Surveyors unskilfulness at that time was the reason why it happen'd in the manner it has.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on 9th August, 1762.

Ordered that the Clerk sign an order upon the City Treasurer to pay the following persons, viz<sup>t</sup> :

To Peter Lansing, Esq<sup>r</sup>, - - - - £2: 6:3

To Robert Lansing for his former Acc<sup>t</sup>, - - - - 6:18:0

This Board has this day agreed with Mr. Robert Lansing to take care of the fire Engine, to have it cleans and in good order, at the rate of three pound a year from the 23d of June last past to the 23d June next ensuing, which will be in the year 1763, besides other extraordinary charges.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 23d day of August, 1762.

Ordered by this Board, that a Publick Street remain in the Foxes Creek, beginning at the East end of Mess<sup>rs</sup> John & Gerrit Rosebooms Lott and run up as farr as the Schyt Bergje till it is ordered otherwise by the Corporation.

Ordered that the Clerk write to Mess<sup>rs</sup> William Smith, Jun<sup>r</sup>, & William Livingston, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, about their suit depending against Sybrant G. Van

Schaick, late Mayor of this City, when and where they intend to bring it on, and desire their speedy answer.

Ordered that the drains which now water out in the streets be removed and laid so as to water out in the River within one month after this day on forfeit of six shillings for every days neglect, to be recovered before the Mayor, Recorder and any one of the Aldermen. one half for the use of the poor and the other half for the person that shall sue for the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 25th August, 1762.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Robert Cranel, William Rogers, Daniel Hewson, Jun<sup>r</sup>, and William Fryer, Church Wardens of the English Church in this City, presented a Petition to this Board for the ground on which the old Barraek stands and a Glibe, it being couched in a very unbecoming and threatening stile, for which reason it was rejected and returned to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Robert Cranel and William Rogers.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 26th August, 1762.

This day sold to Marte Winne, agreeable to his Petition, a peice or parcel of wood Land scituate, lying and being at Schagtekook in the County of Albany, contains forty-three acres and three rodd of Land for which the said Marte Winne agrees to pay six pounds New Yorke money, as also the yearly rent of six Skipple of good merchantable Winter Wheat in the months of January or February, first payment to begin in January or February, 1764.

This day sold to Philip Van Ness a certain peice or parcel of wood Land lying at Schaghkook in the County of Albany, containing thirty-six acres three rodd and twenty perches of Land, always excepted and reserved out of the above bargained Lands a Road of two rodd broad from the Road on the Little hill that lays on the East side of the Bridge on Tomhenock Creek, and from thence run Eastward keeping a little to the Northward of his the said Philip Van Ness his now dwelling house thro the above bargained Lands, for which he is to pay ten pounds current money of New York as also the yearly rent of four Skipple of good merchantable Winter Wheat in the months of January or February, the first payment to begin in January or February, 1754.

This day sold to Wouter Groesbeek a certain peice of wood Land scituate, lying and being at Schagkook in the County of Albany, contain both parcels together eleven acres of Land, for which he agrees to pay four pounds as also the yearly rent of two Skipple of good merchantable Winter Wheat in the months of January or February, first payment to begin in January or February 1764.

This day sold to Johannis Knikerbaker two certain parcels of wood Land scituate, lying and being at Schagkook afores<sup>d</sup>, near the River, contains sixteen acres and three rodods of Land, for which he agreed to pay twenty-five pounds current money as also the yearly rent of five Skipple of good merchantable Winter Wheat, the first payment to begin in the month of January or February, 1764.

Resolved that the Mayor on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty, execute Deeds for the above mentioned parcels of Land and cause the City Seal to be thereunto affixed.



At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 31st day of August, 1762.

Peter Lansingh, Esqr, produced an Account for making Bridges in the first ward, amounting to £8:7, which is allowed and ordered that the Clerk sign an order upon the City Treasurer to pay the same.

This day sold to Peter Viele a certain parcell of wood scituate, lying and being at Still water on the East side of Hudsons River in the County of Albany, containing sixty-two acres and two rodd of Land, for which he agrees to pay ten pounds current money of New York, as also the yearly rent of four Skipple of good merchantable Winter Wheat, first payment to begin in the months of January or February, 1764.

This day sold to ——— a certain peice of wood Land lying on the East side of the road that leads from Daniel Van Antwerps to Schagkook, oppsite the place where Abraham De Foreest formerly live'd on, for which he agrees to pay yearly and every year for him and male heirs of his body lawfully begotten.

Resolved that the Mayor on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty execute Deed for the said Tract of wood Lands and cause the City Seal to be thereto affixed.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 2d day of September, 1762.

Resolved by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany that a conveyance to Alein & Transport a certain peice of ground lying and being in the first ward of the said [City], having to the East the street that adjoyns to the Lotts of William Fryer and others, on the North, West and South by the Commons, in front along the said street one hundred and thirty-two feet, containing on the North side thirty feet, on the South one hundred and forty-eight feet, and on the West side one hundred and ninety two feet, all Rynland measure, according to a Map thereof made by Mr. John R. Bleeker to and for the use to erect and build a Presbyterian Meeting house on and to and for no other use and intention whatsoever, and that the Deed be executed to Mess<sup>rs</sup> John McComb, David Edgar, Samuel Holliday, Robert Henry, Abraham Lyle & John Monro, Elders of the English Presbyterian Congregation in the City of Albany and their successors for ever in trust the use of the said Congregation.

Resolved that the Mayor on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty execute a Deed for the above mentioned peice of ground & cause the City Seal to be thereto affixed.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 13th day of September, 1762.

An Ordinance renewed and published regulateing the selling meat, &c.

For every lb of all kind of Meat, 4 pence.

For every head and pluck of a Calf, 18 pence.

For every head and pluck of a Sheep, 12 pence.

For every head and pluck of a Lamb, 6 pence.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 27th September, 1762.

Ordered by this Board that the Street betwixt the City Hall and the

Lott of Ground belonging to Mr. Ten Broeck remain a common street and shall be called Wall Street.

The Ordinance regulatēing all kinds of Meat renewed & published.

Every lb of Beaf, Mutton & Veal, 4d.

Every lb Lamb 5d.

Head and pluck of a Calf, 18d; for Sheep, 12d, & Lamb, 6d.

Whereas an Ordinance formerly made by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of this City for the electing two Constables in each ward of this City is expired of its own limitation, it is hereby ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Assistants of this City that on the 29th day of September shall be chosen in each ward two petty Constables, of which the Aldermen in each ward or any of them shall make their return with the rest of the City officers.

Ordered by this Board that the Clerk write Letters to Mess<sup>rs</sup> William Smith, William Livingston, William Smith, Jun<sup>r</sup>, & John Morine Scott, and disire each of them to send their opinion relateing the dispute with the Township of Schenectady with the map, state of the cases and all papers relateing the same.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on the 29th September, 1762—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Barent Ten Eyck, Frans Pruyn, Jacob Ten Eyck, Peter Lansing, Henry I. Bogart, Jacob Van Schaick, John Hansen, Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broek.

This day being appointed by the Charter for chosen and electing Corporation officers the following persons were chosen to serve the ensuing year according to the directions of the Charter, viz :

First Ward—Sybrant Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, and Peter Lansingh, Aldermen; Henry Bogardt and Albert Ryckman, Assistants; Thomas Seeger and John Hun, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Constables.

Second Ward—Jacob Ten Eyck & Hendrick M. Roseboom, Aldermen; John Hansen and Gysbert Fonda, Assistants; John Frans Pruyn & John Groesbeck, Constables.

Third Ward—Cornelis Ten Broeck & Volkert Douw, Aldermen; Abraham Ten Broek & John Gansevoort, Assistants; John H. Brat & William Rogers, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Constables.

This Board appoints John Roseboom for Chamberlain, John Frans Pruyn, High Constable, and Johannis Seeger, Marshall for the ensuing year.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on the 4th October, 1762.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Johannis Sam<sup>l</sup> Pruyn £21 for an Account allowed him for his Negro sweeping the Barks, first deduct for his Lottery Tickets.

This day agreed for the rent with John Trotter for peice of ground lying on the North side of William Hogans, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Black Smith Shop, in broad on the street thirty foot and so backward toward the River till the Stockadoes at the rate of forty shillings a year.

This day agreed with John Christie for the rent of a peice of Land containing about ten acres lying on or near the Sand bergh for and during the time of the said John Christie and Margaret his wife, their and each of their natural life, for which he or she is to pay to their Treasurer forty

shillings current money of New York yearly and every year, the first payment to begin 1765, the first day of May; it is further agreed that the said John Christie nor Margaret his wife are not to rent or sell the Land without consent of the Corporation on forfeiting the Land and the buildings thereon erected.

Ordered and Resolved that the Mayor, on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty, execute Deeds for the two above mentioned peices of ground and cause the City Seal to be thereunto affixed.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany 9th October, 1762.

Resolved that the following Letter be sent to his Excellency Sr Robert Monctin, Governour for the Province of New York:

May it please your Excellency—The Corporation being informed that his Majestys third Battalion of the Regiment of Royal Americans is hourly expected at New York, from whence they are to be sent here to be quartered the ensuing Winter, which has caused great consternation among the people, as this City has been greatly burthened this War with Troops even beyond its abilities, the Corporation most humbly implore your Excellencys interposition, that no Officers or Soldiers be billeted on any of the Inhabitants of this City as we are fearful in case they should it would give great disturbance.

Ordered that the Mayor in behalf of the Corporation sign the above Letter.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 13th Oct. 1762.

Volkert P. Douw, Esqr, produced an Account of the neat amount of Lycences granted by him since his mayoralty, and paid £61:9 to Harme Gansevoort for the use of the Corporation, being the one half of what he has received in pursuance of an agreement made with him the 19th October, 1761. Also £9 for six freedoms given by him, which was also paid to Harme Gansevoort.

Ordered that Harme Gansevoort deduct £8:1 out of the above money for his fees for fixing the City Seal to the Lycences and freedoms as ~~per~~ an Ordinance of the 19th October, 1761.

Cornelis Ten Broeck, Esqr, produced an Account of £8:7:6, which is allowed, and that the Clerk give an order upon the Treasurer to pay the same.

Mr. Henry I. Bogart produced an Account of £11:11:3, which is allowed and that the Clerk give an order to pay the same.

Ordered the Clerk give an order upon the City Treasurer to pay Thomas Williams £30:14:6, being the amount of his Account since September, 1760, viz, the reduction of all Canada, the Kings Birth day, Nov<sup>r</sup> 1760, reduction of Martinico, and declaration of the Spanish war against Spain.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany 14th October, 1762.

Volkert P. Douw, Esqr, produced a Commission appointing him Mayor and Clerk of the Market for the City of Albany & Coroner for the City & County of Albany for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of the offices.

Harmanus Schuyler, Esqr, produced a Commission appointing him Sheriff for the City and County of Albany, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of his office.

Peter Lansing, Sybrant Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Ten Eyck, Hendrick M. Roseboom & Cornelis Ten Broeck, being chosen for Aldermen for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of their office.

Hendrick I. Bogart, Albert Ryckman, Gysbert Fonda, John Hansen, Abraham Ten Broeck and John Gansevoort, Assistants, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of their office.

John Frans Pruyn, High Constable, Thomas Seeger, John D. Groesbeeck, John A. Bratt & William Roger, Jun<sup>r</sup>, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of their office.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 26th day of October, 1762—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Sybrant Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Peter Lansingh, Hendrick Roseboom, Cornelis Ten Broeck, John Hansen, John Gansevoort, Henry I. Bogart, Gysbert Fonda, Albert Ryckman.

Volkert Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, being chosen Alderman for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of his office.

Francis Martin produced an Account of £1:12, which this Board allows. This Board allows Jacobus Reatliffs £5 for last years Sellary as Bell ringer.

Ordered that the Clerk sign an order upon the City Treasurer to pay the above persons, by order of Common Council.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany, on the 3d day of November, 1762.

Resolved that five Lottery Tickets be taken in behalf of the Corporation in the new Lottery, which Number are as follows: 7717, 7718, 7719, 7720 & 7721. Ordered that the Mayor take the same to New York.

Ordered by this Board that the Clerk give an order upon the City Treasurer to pay Johannis I. Pruyn £1:7 which being the balance of his account.

This day sold to Johannis N. Grosbeek & Harme Groesbeek a certain parcel of wood Land lying and being att Schagkook on the North side of the Creek adjoining the Land heretofore sold by the Corporation to the above named Johannis N. Groesbeek, containing thirty-one acres of wood Land, for which they agree to pay £6 currant money of the Province of New York, as also the yearly rent of four Skipple of good merchantable Winter Wheat, the first payment to begin in the months of January or February in the year of our Lord 1764.

This Board appoints the following persons Fire Masters for the ensuing year, to witt:

Volkert Van Veghte, Barent I. Staats, first ward.

Peter Hansen, Abraham Verplank, second ward.

Dirck Roseboom, Abraham Schuyler, third ward.

Ordered that the Warrents be given to the Fire Masters for each ward and that the Clerk sign the same, by order of the Common Council.

Order'd that the Clerk sign an order upon the City Treasurer to pay to Thomas Seeger £9 for one years Sellary.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany 23d December, 1762.

This Board orders the Clerk to give an order upon the City Treasurer to pay Mr. Philip Reyley £6 for his attending the Town clock from the 21 day of December, 1761, to the 21 December, 1762.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany 31st December, 1762.

An Ordinance renewed and published to prevent unruly Riding.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany 10th January, 1763.

Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, delivered to the Clerk £4:5, received out the New York Lottery for one prize Ticket, the other four were Blanks.

Resolved by this Board that no freedom be given to a Merchant under £3:12, and a Tradsman £1:16, out of which the Mayor is to have twelve shillings for his own use and the remainder to be returned to the Clerk, who is to deduct one shilling for his use for affixing the Seal to each freedom or any other instrument.

And like wise that any three of the Aldermen of this City may grant a freedom under the same Restrictions above Resolved.

It is also Resolved that no Lycense be granted to any Tavernkeeper then what is sealed with the City Seal, for which each person is to pay twenty shillings unless the Mayor shall think them such objects as are not able to pay it, that then he is at liberty to take twelve shillings, one half of all the Lycense so granted to the use of the Mayor and the other half thereof to be returned to the Clerk for the use of the City, one shilling to the Clerk for each Lycense he affix the Seal to and keeping an exact account thereof.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Volkert Douw, Henry Bogart & John Hansen, a Committee appointed by this Board to settle the Accounts with the City Treasurer and make report to the Corporation.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 5th February, 1763—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Cornelis Ten Broeck, Hendrick Roseboom, Syb<sup>l</sup> Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Volkert Douw, Peter Lansing, Jacob Ten Eyck, Henry Bogart, John Hansen, Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, John Gansevoort, Gysbert Fonda, Albert Ryckman.

This Board ordered that the following Letter be sent to Mr. William Smith, Jun<sup>r</sup>, and that the Clerk sign the same in behalf and by order of Common Council, viz<sup>t</sup> :

William Smith, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Esq<sup>r</sup>—The Corporation have received the opinion of your self, Mr. Smith your father, William Livingston & John Morine Scott, Esq<sup>r</sup>, relateing to the Boundaries of the City of Albany, they are disireous to have the Land which by your opinion you judge vacant, and would employ you to take such steps as will be necessary to that end, and will amply reward you for your trouble and expence therein. The Corporation would be glad to know wether it would be best to take it by a Patent or an additional Charter, but they are inclin'd to have it by additional Charter and to add some other priviledges to it, if his Excellency should think proper, and what you imagine the expence might be to obtain the same, and how long a time it might take up to have this affair entirely settled if his Excellency should incline to it, for the Corporation would chuse to make as short of it as possible. Your answer <sup>by</sup> first post will much oblige the Corporation.

An Ordinance for preventing of Chimneys catching on fire.

Be it ordained by the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Assistants of the City of Albany convened in Common Council, and be it ordained by the authority of the same, That whereas of late several Chimneys been on fire in this City by the carelessness of the Inhabitants in not having them swept, for preventing the same it is ordered by the authority of the same, that if any Chimney shall catch fire after the tenth day of this instant month of February, the owner or possessor of such house shall be fined in the sum of three pounds, to be recovered before the Mayor, Recorder, or any one of the Aldermen of this City.

This Board allows the following Accounts and that the Clerk sign an order upon the City Treasurer to pay the same viz, :

To Wilhelmus Van Antwerp for repairing the Pump in 3d ward, £7.

To Jacob C. Ten Eyck for his disbursement in repairing the pump in the first ward, £2:19:9.

This Board bought of William Bredit a bound Servant\* named James Nox, to be their publick whipper for the sum of £9 to serve the residue and remainder of his time as by the Indenture may more fully appear.

This Board agreed with Thomas Seger for the boarding of the said James Nox at the rate of four shillings  $\frac{2}{3}$  week, the Corporation to find his waring apparel.

Ordered that the Clerk sign an order to pay the said Williem Bredit £9 according to the above agreement.

Resolved by this Board, that Gerrit Roseboom pay to John Roseboom, City Treasurer, the sum of £40 current money of New York, according to the Resolution entered the Minutes of Common Council, dated the 2d day of October in the year of our Lord 1758.

Ordered that the Clerk pay John M. Beekman £10 for five Lottery Ticket bought the third day of November last past.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 28th day of February, 1763.

Memorandum, That whereas a Release from the Corporation to Peter Viele certifies that the annual Rent to be paid of five Skipple Wheat for the Lands mentioned in the deed, and whereas the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty find that by mistake the five Skipple was inserted instead of four Skipple, as by the Minutes entered in this Book the 31st day of August in the year of our Lord 1762 may appear, it is therefore Resolved by

\*See p. 150, Joseph Knox. He does not seem to have been a slave, although slavery at this time pervaded all the provinces. Slaves were purchased in New England or of New England men. A certificate of the sale of a black girl about 13 years of age, given on the 7th July, 1762, by John McClister of Connecticut to Jacob Lawyer of Schoharie, for the sum of £60 (\$150) New York currency, will probably show the average value of female slaves at this time. At a later period able bodied male slaves sold as high as \$250. When slaves were purchased out of the colony, a duty was required to be paid on them, as the following certificate of the Mayor of Albany will show :

“ Theas are to Certify yt Nine negro men and women has been imported into ye county of Albany from New England, and according to an act of ye Governor, ye Council, and the generall Assembly, William Day has paid ye Duty for said negro men and women: Witness my hand this 20th day of Aug. 1762.

VOLKERT P<sup>r</sup>. DOUW, Mayor.”

Five of the above slaves were sold in Schoharie. *Simms's Hist. Schoharie Co.*, 98.

this Board that the Mayor shall certify on the back of the said Deed that only four Skipple annually shall be paid by vertue of the above Resolution.

Memorandum, That a Deed from the Corporation to Johannis N. Groesbeek certifies the annual Rent to be paid in the months of January or February in the year of our Lord 1763, and whereas the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty find that it is a mistake and that no Rent should be paid before the months of January or February in the year of our Lord 1764.

Ordered that the Clerk sign an order upon the City Treasurer to pay the following persons for their Accounts produced and allowed by this Board.

To Jacobus Van Sante for Carpenter work and disbursements,	£7:6:9.
To Sybrant Van Schaick, Jun <sup>r</sup> , for sundry disbursements,	2:8:9.
To Andriaen Bratt,	1:0:0.
To Thomas Seger, six Skipple Wheat.	

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany 25th March, 1763.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an ordered upon the City Treasurer to pay the following persons, to witt:

To Gerrit Van Sante,	- - - -	£6: 5:0
To Staats Van Santvoordt,	- - - -	1: 8:3
To John Gansevoort,	- - - -	1: 0:0
To Nicholas Brower,	- - - -	0:17:9

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 2d day of April.

Marte Mynders produced an Acc<sup>t</sup> which is allowed, £12:14.

Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, allowed for 4 Iron Chains, 1: 4.

Ordered that the Clerk sign an order upon the Treasurer to pay the above accounts:

Cost of the fire Engine in London, £68:13:8 @ 95 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> cent advance,	- - - -	£134: 1:0
Freight from London to New York,	- - - -	19:14:0
Interest on the Note of £104:10, from the 26 March, 1762, to this day, which note is delivered up to this Board,		5: 4:6
		<u>£158:19:6</u>

The above sum of £158:19:6 is allowed to Ha: Gansevoort for his disbursements for the fire Engine.

Ordered that the City Treasurer pay the said sum of £158:19:6 to the said Harme Gansevoort and that the Mayor sign the same, by order of Common Council.

Ordered that Johannis N. Groesbeek pay the City Treasurer the Bond of £100 that is now payable and that the said Johannis N. Groesbeek and Harme Groesbeek pay the six pounds for the wood Land they bought of this City last Fall to the Treasurer.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 6th April, 1763.

The following Accounts were allowed and ordered that sign an order upon the City Treasurer to pay the same.

To John De Peyster,	- - - -	£0:14:3
To Stephen Van Schaick,	- - - -	3: 0:0
To William Winne,	- - - -	1: 7:0

Ordered by this Board that the Treasurer let Thomas Seeger have six Skipple Wheat and sell all the Wheat he has in store for five shillings and three pence  $\frac{3}{4}$  Skipple.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 12th day of April, 1763.

This day sold at Publick Vendue to the highest Bidders sundry Lotts of ground lying on a hill called Woutenbergh, on the northernmost part of the City of Albany, on the north side of Foxes Creek, each Lott to contain in breadth in front by the street and in the rear by the City Line thirty feet, and in length from the said street to the said line fourteen rodd and half of a rodd all Rynland measure, with a reserve on each Lott of ten shillings yearly and every year for ever, to be paid to the Corporation; the sale to begin by Lott N. 2 viz:

Lott N. 2	To Isaac Swits,	-	-	-	-	£23.
Lott N. 3	To Frans Winne, Junr,	-	-	-	-	20.
Lott N. 4	To John Roff,	-	-	-	-	22.
Lott N. 5	To Paul Hogstraser,	-	-	-	-	22.
Lott N. 6	To Daniel Winne,	-	-	-	-	22.
Lott N. 7	To Hendrick Wendell,	-	-	-	-	18.
Lott N. 8	To Hendrick Wendell,	-	-	-	-	17.
Lott N. 9	To Adam Yates,	-	-	-	-	17.
Lott N. 10	To Adam Yates,	-	-	-	-	18.
Lott N. 11	To John Van Ness,	-	-	-	-	17.
Lott N. 12	To Abraham Ten Broeck,	-	-	-	-	16:10.
Lott N. 13	To Abraham Ten Broeck,	-	-	-	-	16:10.
Lott N. 14	To Sybrant Van Schaick, Junr,	-	-	-	-	16:10.
Lott N. 15	To Abraham Ten Broeck,	-	-	-	-	16:10.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on 2d day of May, 1763.

The following Ordinances were this day renewed and published :

An Ordinance restraining forestalings.

An Ordinance for cleaning the Streets.

An Ordinance for regulateing Carmen.

An Ordinance of marking Bread. The assizes as follows: Every Loaf of the finest Flour to weight 3 lb and two ounces for 8 Coppers; every Loaf do. of one lb nine ounces, 4 Coppers; every Loaf do. 12 ounces for 2 Copers.

The above Ordinance to commence the 9th day of this instant month.

Ordered that the Clerk pay Mr. John Hansen ten shillings for the Laws of the Corporation of the City of New York, the said Book to remain with the Clerk in his office for the use of the Corporation.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 5th May, 1763.

The Corporation having agreed with Mr. Sybrant G. Van Schaick, late Mayor of the City of Albany, to discontinue their action brought ag' him in the Supreme Court upon his paying the sum of £150, for which the Mayor is to sign a Receipt in behalf of the Corporation, as follows:

Albany, 5th May, 1763.

- Received of Mr. Sybrant G. Van Schaick the sum of £150, it being for an action commenced against him by the Corporation in the year 1716,



besides the money paid to Harmee Gansevoort before the commencement of the said action for the benefitt received for the City Seal and other advantages, which being in full of all demands.

By order of Comon Council. VOLKERT P. DOUW, Mayor.

Ordered that the Mayor keep the above sum of £150 which he received of Mr. Sybrant G. Van Schaick till further orders.

This Board order the Clerk to write to Mess<sup>rs</sup> William Livingston and William Smith, Jun<sup>r</sup>, to discontinue the action brought by the Corporation against Mr. Sybrant G. Van Schaick.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 24th May, 1763.

The Mayor produced two Letters from Coll. Bradstreet, the one dated the 20th instant in which he disires to know the reason of his having cut down a fence that was erected near the Church Pasture by one Wood : the other of the 21st instant he disires to know wether the Corporation would persevere by force and violence to prevent the Kings servants from inclosing the ground on which Wood had erected a fence, or wether they would suffer his majestyes service to be carried on without interruption. It is the opinion of this Board that the said Letters are wrote in a very disrespectful manner, as it is well known that the Corporation has at all times promoted his majestyes service to the utmost of their power and are still determined so to do.

Resolved by this Board that they will not suffer any person or persons whatsoever to inclose or improve any of the Lands of the Corporation without first obtaining their leave, and that Coll. Bradstreet be served with a copy of this Rule.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on the 6th July, 1763.

N. 1965, 1966, 1967 and 1968, Lottery Tickets paid by the Clerk to Mr. John Hansen for the Corporation, being compared with the New York publick Newspapers by this Board and were not found amongst the fortunate Tickets.

This Board ordered that the Clerk sign an order upon their Treasurer to pay the following persons, to wit :

To Sybrant Van Schaick, Esq <sup>r</sup> ,	- - -	£2:18:0
To John De Peyster,	- - -	0:11:6

Resolved by this Board, that the Mayor on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty execute Deeds for the several Lotts of ground sold to sundry different persons at Publick Vendue on the 12th day of April, 1763, and cause the City Seal to be thereunto affixed.

The Ordinance renewed & published regulateing selling meat, &c., with a Proviso that if any of the Butchers sell meat on a Sunday shall forfeit ten shillings for every default.

For every lb of all kind of Meat, 5d.

For every head pluck of a Calf, 18d.

For every head and pluck of a Sheep, 9d.

For every head and pluck of a Lamb, 6d.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 9th July, 1763.

Resolved by this Board that the Patroon, Stephen Van Rensselaer, be presented with a freedom of this City.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 18th day of July, 1763.

Resolved by this Board that John Yates may have a Deed for as much ground of the Corporation as he leaves in the street and that the remainder of the ground shall be equally divided by the said John Yates and Abraham I. Yates.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor or any three of the Aldermen of this City may grant a freedom to any of the Citizens born within the Limits of this City that are become to the years of twenty-one or upwards, may upon application to the Mayor or any three of the Aldermen obtain his freedom on paying two shillings for the same, and the Clerk is hereby authorised to affix the City Seal to each freedom, signed by the Mayor or any three of the Aldermen, which two shillings is to be paid to the Clerk till ordered to the contrary.

A List of the Firemen belonging to the different wards in the City of Albany:

First Ward—Volkert Van Veghte, Gerrit Van Sante, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Roseboom, Peter Ryckman, Stephen Schuyler, Marte Mynderse, William Fryer, John Stevenson, John Joh<sup>s</sup> Lansing, Isaac Bogart, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Second Ward—Gerardus Lansingh, Jacob Bleeker, Isaac Verplanck, Casparus Pruyt, Volkert A. Douw, Nicholas Marselis, Peter Williams, John Marselis, Anthony Bleeker, Sander Lansing, Cornelis Van Schelluyne, John H. Roseboom, Gysbert G. Marselis.

Third Ward—Abraham I. Fonda, Philip De Forest, Abraham Schuyler, John Ten Broeck, Abraham Cuyler, Nanning H. Vischer, Thomas Hun, Isaac Van Arnem.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 2d day of August, 1763.

This Board allows the following Accounts, viz<sup>t</sup>:

To Shipboy & Henry,	-	-	-	£1:16:0
To Jacobus Van Sante,	-	-	-	5: 6:9
To Anthony Bleeker,	-	-	-	3: 6:0
To Peter Lansing,	-	-	-	3: 6:0
To Abraham Wendell,	-	-	-	1: 4:0
To Gysbert Fonda,	-	-	-	0: 4:0
To John Bleeker,	-	-	-	0: 8:0
To Gerrit Lansingh,	-	-	-	0:12:0
To Bratt Van Schoonhove,	-	-	-	0:12:0
To 3 Quarts Rum,	-	-	-	0: 4:6

Nine pounds sixteen shillings and sixpence of the above sum is to be paid to Peter Lansing, Esq<sup>r</sup>, for to pay the above mentioned persons, except Shipboy & Henry, and ordered that the Clerk give an order upon the Treasurer accordingly, and also to Mr. Shipboy and Henry for £1:16.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 16th day of September, 1763.

Petition presented by Gerrit Lansingh, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Anthony E. Bratt, Ahaswerus Roseboom and several other Inhabitants of the third ward, which this Board will take in Consideration.

Mr. Robert Lansing produced an Account of £8:0:8, which includes £3

for one years Sellary from the 23 June, 1762, to the 23 June last past, and remainder is for extraordinary charges and disbursements, which is allowed, and ordered that an order be given signed by the Clerk upon the Treasurer to pay the same.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Ha: Gansevoort £1:4 deficiency on the return of the Premium on the Insurance of the fire Engine.

Whereas it was Resolved in Common Council the 18th July last past, that John Yates should have a Deed for as much ground of the Corporation as he leaves of his ground in the street, and the remainder of the ground that belongs to the City should be equally devided by the said John Yates & Abraham I. Yates, and whereas Abraham I. Yates declines, it is ordered by this Board that the said John Yates may have the ground agreeable to the Map made by Mr. John R. Bleeker for the sum of £20.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 24th day of September, 1763.

The Ordinance regulatøing the selling of meat is this day renewed and published with this Proviso, that no person or persons that shall kill meat for sale within this City shall provide himself with a good scale and weights to be marked by Mr. Robert Lansing, who is thereunto appointed, and that no Butcher shall promise meat to any person before hand and whatsoever person shall ask first shall be first served; the selling of meat to commence the 27th day of this current month and the scales and weights the first day of October next ensueing, and that on a panely of ten shillings for every default.

Every lb Beef, 4d; every lb Veal, Lamb or Mutton 5d; every head and pluck of a Calf, 18d; every head and pluck of a Sheep, 9d; every head and pluck of a Lamb, 6d.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 29 day of September, 1763, ten a clock A. M.

Whereas an Ordinance formerly made by the Mayor, Aldermen and Comonalty of this City for electing two Constables in each ward in this City is expired of its own limitation, it is hereby ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Comonalty that at two of the clock in the afternoon of this day shall be choosen in each ward two Petty Constables, of which the Aldermen of each ward or any of them shall make their return with the rest of the City officers.

Resolved by this Board that Mayor on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Comonalty execute a Deed for the ground sold to John Yates, agreeable to Mr. John R. Bleekers Map, and cause the City Seal to be thereunto affixed & take a Deed from the said John Yates for so much ground as he has left in the street.

Cornelis Cadmus produced an Account of one pound four for painting the fire Engine, which is allowed by this Board and ordered that the Treasurer pay y<sup>e</sup> same.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany on the 29th September, 1763—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Syb<sup>t</sup> Van Schaick, Junr, Peter Lansingh, Cornelis Ten Broeck, Hendrick Roseboom, John Hansen, Henry I. Bogart, John Gansevoort, Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, Gysbert Fonda.

Five a clock P. M. This day being appointed by the Charter for chosing

and electing Corporation officers, the following persons were chosen to serve the ensuing year according to the directions of the Charter :

First Ward—Sybrant Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, and Peter Lansingh, Aldermen ; Henry I. Bogart & Stephen Schuyler, Assistants ; Thomas Seger & Peter Hylton, Constables.

2d—John Cuyler & John R. Bleeker, Aldermen ; Gysbert Fonda & John Ja<sup>r</sup> Beekman, Assistants ; Michael Besset, Jun<sup>r</sup>, & Philip Wendell, Constables.

3d—Cornelis Ten Broeck & Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Aldermen ; John Gansevoort & Ab<sup>n</sup> Ten Broeck, Assistants ; Gerrit H. Visser & Andries Goewyck, Constables.

This Board appoints John Roseboom for their Chamberlain ; Gerrit H. Vischer, High Constable ; Johannis Seeger, Marshall.

Thomas Williams produced an Account of £25:11:6, expended upon the Kings Birth day and on the Proclamation of Peace, which is allowed and ordered that the Clerk sign an order on the Treasurer to pay the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 13th day of October, 1763.

The Mayor laid the sum of £150 on the board which he received of Syb<sup>r</sup> G. Van Schaick the 5th May last, ordered that the Mayor pay £32:14 to the several persons out of the said sum which he has done accordingly, the remainder is £117:6, which is to remain with the Mayor till further order.

Whereas on the 12th day of Aprill last past several Lotts of ground was sold at Publick Vendue to several different persons and amongst others the Lots N. 12, 13 and 15 where sold to Mr. Abraham Ten Broeck, and as he this day acquainted this Board that he bought Lott N. 12 for Mr. John H. Ten Eyck, and Lott No. 15 for Joseph Adam Yates, and Lott N. 13 for himself, wherefore is ordered by this Board that the Clerk draw separate Deeds for the above described Lotts.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty execute Deeds for the said Lots of ground and cause the City Seal to be thereto affixed.

An Account of Mr. Abraham Yates produced and allowed by the Board, £9:16.

Allowed to Jacobus Reatliff for ringing the Bell, £5.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the same.

Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced an Account of Lycences and Freedoms granted by him since the 14th day of October, 1762, amounting to £110:2, one half for the use of the Corporation and the other half for the use of the Mayor, which whole sum is to remain with the Mayor till further order.

Whereas it appears that Mr. Adam Yates has ground in his possession belonging to this City which was laid out for a street, and was requested to take and remove his fence, and in case he does not comply with the said request, Resolved by this Board that the Mayor, Peter Lansingh, Esq<sup>r</sup>, and John Gansevoort order the Marshall to cut down the fence.

At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany 14th October, 1763.

Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him Mayor and Clerk of the Market for the City of Albany and Coroner for the City

and County of Albany for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of the offices.

Harmanus Schuyler, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him Sheriff for the City and County of Albany, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of his office.

Sybrant Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Peter Lansing, John Cuyler, and Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, being chosen Aldermen for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of their office.

Henry I. Bogart, Stephen Schuyler, Gysbert Fonda, John Ja Beekman, Abraham Ten Broeck and John Gansevoort, being chosen Assistants for the City of Albany for the ensuing year, took the Oaths, appointed by Law, signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of their office.

Thomas Seger, Peter Hylton, Michael Besset, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Philip Wendell and Andries Goewy, Constables, and Francis Martin, Deputy Sheriff, took the Oaths signed the Test and sworn to the due execution of their office.

This Board allows an Acc<sup>t</sup> of Cornelis Cadmuss of £1:4.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 25th day of October, 1763.

Cornelis Ten Broeck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, being chosen Alderman for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, sign'd the Test, and sworn to the due execution of his office.

Mr. Wood in behalf of Robert Lake, Esq<sup>r</sup>, applied to the Mayor to repair the Shade near the house he lives in; ordered by this Board that he may repair the same and have the use of it for two years.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 7th day of November, 1763.

Ordered by this Board that the Mayor pay Mr. Elbert Willet £39:3 for forty-eight Leather Buckets and other utensils out of the sum of £110:2, which is in his hands.

Mr. John De Peyster account,	-	-	£1:12
To Francis Martin,	-	-	0:13
To Thomas Seger,	-	-	7:10

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk sign order upon the Treasurer to pay the above sum, they being allowed.

Resolved by this Board that each of the Aldermen and Assistants of this City shall take in their care four of the Buckets and the Numbers, as followeth:

Sybrant Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, N. 1, 2, 3 & 4.  
 Peter Lansingh, N. 5, 6, 7, 8.  
 Henry I. Bogart, 9, 10, 11, 12.  
 Stephen Schuyler, 13, 14, 15, 16.  
 John Cuyler, 17, 18, 19, 20.  
 John R. Bleeker, 21, 22, 23, 24.  
 John Ja Beekman, 25, 26, 27, 28.  
 Gysbert Fonda, 29, 30, 31, 32.  
 Cornelis Ten Broeck, 33, 34, 35, 36.  
 Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, 37, 38, 39, 40.  
 John Gansevoort, 41, 42, 43, 44.  
 Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, 45, 46, 47, 48.

This Board appoints the following persons Fire Masters for the ensuing year, to wit:

Staats Van Santvoordt, Ephraim Van Veghte, first ward:

John Groesbeek, John Pruyt, second ward.

Harmanus I. Wendell, Thomas Hun, third ward.

Ordered that Warrants be given to the Fire Masters for each ward, and that the Clerk sign the same, by order of the Common Council.

John R. Bleeker, Esq<sup>r</sup>, being chosen Alderman for the ensuing year, took the Oaths appointed by Law, signed the Test, sworn to the due execution of his office.

Resolved by this Board that Mr. Gerrit Roseboom oversee the sweeping of the Chimneys in the Barracks, and that this Board will satisfy him for the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 24 day of December, 1763.

An Ordinance renewed and published to prevent unruly Ryding.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 22d February, 1764.

This Board allows the following Accounts and ordered the Clerk to sign an order upon the Treasurer to pay the same.

To John R. Bleeker, Esq <sup>r</sup> ,	- - - -	£6:10
To Mr. Philip Reyley,	- - - -	6: 0

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 3d March, 1764.

This day sold to Peter Yates a certain peice or Lott of ground lying and being in third ward of the City of Albany, is bounded to the west by the Lott of ground now belonging to the said Peter Yates, having to the south the Lott of John H. Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, keeping the same breadth with the Lott of the said Peter Yates and extending as far eastward as the Lott now in the possession of the said John Ten Eyck doth extend, for which the said Peter Yates is to pay the sum of £13 current money of the Province of New York.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty execute a Deed for the said peice of ground and cause the City Seal to be thereunto affixed.

On application of John Reatlift for the house and lot of ground on the Gallows hill formerly possessed by Jacob Buljin, this Board agrees that he may have the same at the rate of fifteen shillings  $\frac{2}{3}$  year during so long a time as they judge proper.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 24th day of March, 1764.

This Board allows the following Accounts and orders the Clerk to sign an order upon the City Treasurer to pay the same.

To Peter Ryckman,	- - - -	£8:17
To John Price,	- - - -	2: 8
To Patrick Clark,	- - - -	8: 0

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany, on the 29th day of March, 1764.

This Board have this day agreed with Mr. John G. Roseboom for one

Room in one of his houses in the second ward for to keep a night watch at the rate of ten pound a year.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Thomas Seger five pounds and charge his Acc<sup>t</sup> for same.

An Ordinance published for appointing & establishing a good and sufficient night-watch in the City of Albany.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 4th day of May, 1764.

This Board orders the Clerk to sign an order upon their Treasurer to pay the following persons, viz<sup>t</sup>:

To John G. Roseboom,	-	-	-	-	£0:12
To Adam Yates,	-	-	-	-	0:12
To Thomas Seeger,	-	-	-	-	0:15

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on the 28th June, 1764—Present, the Mayor, John Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, John Cuyler, Cornelis Ten Broeck, Sybrant Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Peter Lansing, Jn<sup>o</sup> Bleeker, Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Gysbert Fonda, John Gansevoort, Jn<sup>o</sup> Jac Beekman, Stephen Schuyler, Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck.

Resolved that Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Mayor, Jacob Hend: Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, and Abraham Ten Broeck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, are appointed by this Board to go to New York to defend the rights & property of this City against a Petition that was presented to the Lieutenant Governor in Council at Fort George in the City of New York on Saturday the ninth day of June, 1764, by Mess<sup>rs</sup> George Munro & William Barr for a peice of vacant Land as they set forth in their Petition, which this Board claims as being the property of this City, and to petition the Governor and Council for an addition to the Charter, and that they may employ such Attorneys or any other person as they shall think proper. This Board also engages to pay such expenses as may accrue thereon and that they have a copy of this Resolution.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 27th July, 1764.

Resolved by this Board that the Lands on the Gallows Hill applied for by Cap<sup>t</sup> Cortland Schuyler be sold at Publick Vendue on Tuesday next at ten of the clock in the forenoon.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 31st July, 1764—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John Cuyler, Cor<sup>s</sup> Ten Broeck, John R. Bleecker, Sybrant Van Schaick, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Peter Lansing, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Henry Bogert, John Beekman, John Gansevoort, Stephen Schuyler, Abraham Ten Broeck, Guysbert Fonda.

The vandue being held Cap<sup>t</sup> Cortlandt Schuyler bid £200 for the Lands on the Gallows hill, which being the highest bid was struck off to him with a Quit rent of fifty shillings yearly & every year for ever.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 3d August, 1764.

Ordered by this Board that the Mayor sign and that the Corporation

Seal be affixed to the Deeds for the Lands on the Gallows Hill sold Cap<sup>t</sup> Cortlandt Schuyler the 31st ultimo, containing eleven acres with an allowance of one Rod for broken ground.

Ordinance for cleaning & repairing the Pavements of the streets by the first September on forfeit of 3s. for every days neglect.

Ordered that the Market house in the third ward be the publick Market house of this City. That all the Butchers of this City sell only in that market on penalty of 20s. for every default.

Att a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 29th August, 1764.

Ordered that pursuant to a Petition dated in March & now fyled, all the Lots sold on the 12th April, 1763, which then were to pay 10s. for each lot agreeable to an order then made, that those lots only pay 6s. each. Ordered that the Mayor sign the Deeds and the Corporation Seal be affixed to them.

Joseph Knox agreed with the Corporation to be their publick whiper for fourteen pounds yearly, to be paid Quarterly.

The Commissioners appointed by a Resolution of this Board made the 28 June last being returned from New York do Report that the Governor & Council gave their opinion on the Petition of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Monro & Barr, a certified copy of which they now produce; ordered that the same be entred in the Minutes of the Common Councill, which is as follows, viz:

Att a Councill held at Fort George in the City of New York on Wednesday the eleventh day of July, 1764, Present, The Hon<sup>ble</sup> Cadwallader Colden, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Lieutenant Governor, &c., Mr. Horsmanden, Mr. Watts, Mr. Delancey, Earl of Stirling, Mr. Read, Mr. Duane, of Council for George Monro, and William Barr, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, attending, was called in and informed the Board that as several witnesses had been examined on the part of the Corporation of the City of Albany and the Time would not permit him to obtain proofs on the part of the Petitioners the Petitioners did not incline to give the Board any farther trouble, but chose to submit the matter to their opinion on what had been offered, and all parties being withdrawn, his Honour the Lieutenant Governor was pleased to require the opinion of the Council thereupon. The Council on Consideration of the whole matter declared that it appeared to them to have been the intention of the Crown to grant to the Corporation of the City of Albany the same Lands which had been excepted out of the grant of the Mannor of Renselaerswyck and which had been formerly surrendered to the Crown by the Proprietors of the Mannor of Renselaerswick apparently with a view that the said Lands might be granted to the Town of Albany: and although the words of the Sand Kill inserted in the Charter to the Corporation of the City of Albany which bears date only two days after the Instrument of Surrender may seem to intend the Tract should run further to the northward than the Course northwest would fix it, yet as the Course northwest is equally certain with the Course to the Sand Kill and the possession long and uninterrupted hath gone with the latter Construction, they inclined to think that this Construction would obtain in Law, at least they were in no doubt it would prevail in Equity, in either of which Cases the Lands in Question could not be vacant and therefore that they could not advise his Honour to grant the Lands prayed for to the Petitioners.

A true Copy, Examined by G. W. BANYARD, D. C. Con.



Ordered by this Board that Mr. Mayor & Mr. Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck petition the General to have the buildings and other nusances made by the army in the publick streets removed.

At a meeting of the Recorder, Aldermen & Assistants—The Mayor being absent at New York—City Hall the 29th September, 1764.

The following officers were elected and returned, viz :

Peter Lansing & Sybrant V: Schaick, Esq<sup>r</sup>., Aldermen for the first Ward.

Stephen Schuyler & Henry Bogard, Common Council for the first Ward.

Thomas Seager & Rykert Van Zandte, Constables for the first Ward.

John Cuyler & John R. Bleeker, Aldermen for the second Ward.

Guysbert Fonda & John I: Beekman, Common Council for the 2d Ward.

Abraham Veeder & Augustus Bostwick, Constables for the 2d Ward.

Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Corne<sup>s</sup> Ten Broeck, Aldermen for the 3d Ward.

Abraham Ten Broek, Thomas Hun, Common Council for the 3d Ward.

Hendrick Greverat & Levinus Dunbar, Constables for the 3d Ward.

This Board appoints for their Chamberlain, John Roseboom; for their Marshall, Joh<sup>s</sup> Seeger; High Constable, Thomas Seeger.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 22d of October, 1764.

Allowed Jacobus Ratcliff for his years Sallary for Ringing the Bell, £5.

Resolved the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the above sum.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the first day of November, 1764.

Ordered that there be allowed & paid Mr. John Cuyler £45:10 for expences and materials furnished for the publick Cisterns & drains of this City, as per account delivered; and that the Clerk draw an order on the City Treasurer for the payment thereof.

Ordered that there be allowed & paid Cornelis Ten Broeck the sum of £9:5:6 for expences & disbursements for the publick wells, pumps & other necessaries, as by the account delivered, and that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

Mr. John Cuyler produced an Account for publick work done in the year 1762, amounting to £18:11. Ordered that the same be allowed and paid and that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

Mr. Thomas Hun produced an account of Johannis & Dirck Hunn for work done to the publick market in the year 1736 for £12:15:6. Ordered that the same be paid and that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

Ordered that there be allowed & paid unto Guysbert Fonda the sum of £20:17:10 for expences and disbursements for the publick wells, pumps, &c. Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

Ordered that there be allowed & paid unto Peter Lansing for expences & disbursements in making, mending & repairing the publick wells, pumps, bridges, &c., the sum of £286:2:3. Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

It is ordered and ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany, that no person or persons whomsoever any time here-

after presume to cleanse any of the Chimneys within the City of Albany for payment except Michael Wageman and his two sons, named Emanuel and George, upon the penalty of ten shillings for every Chimney such person shall sweep for payment except the persons aforesaid, and be convicted thereof before the Mayor, Recorder or one of the Aldermen of this City, which forfeiture shall be allowed and paid to the Informer.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Tuesday the 15 November, 1764.

This day this Board settled with Mr. Robert Lansing in full of all accounts and he then produced an account,

For taking care of the Old spuyt one year,	£3: 0:0
The new Do. untill the 23d June, 1764,	- - 1:10:0
To making sundry for the fire Indian House,	0:16:6

£5: 6:6

The Board this day agrees with Mr. Robert Lansing to keep both the fire Indians in repair and from June 23, 1764, to June 23, 1765, five pounds.

Ordered that the Mayor sign a Petition in behalf of the Corporation to the General to have the Buildings and other nuisance in the publick streets removed.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Tuesday the 20th November, 1764.

This Board appointed the following persons Fire Masters for the ensuing year :

Hendrick Lansing, Barent Van Alen, first ward.  
 Bartholomew Bleumendal, Michael Basset, Junr, second ward.  
 Abraham Cuyler, Rynier Van Yevere, third ward.

Ordered that Warrents be given to the Fire Masters for each ward and that the Clerk sign the same, by order of Common Council.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for seven pounds in favor of Thomas Seager.

This Board orders the Clerk to sign an order upon this City Treasurer to pay the following persons, &c.

To Nicholas Brower,	- - - -	£1: 6:3
To Luykas Hoegkerk,	- - - -	7: 0:9
To William Waldron,	- - - -	6:11:6

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Monday the 10th Day of December, 1764.

Resolved that the account of Volkert P. Douw be allowed, viz, the sum of £5:10:4, being expences for a suit a Cloaths allowed the whipper as by agreement. Ordered that the Clerk sign an order on the Treasurer for that purpose.

Resolved that Cornelius Swits, Jacob G. Lansing be appointed Fire Masters in the room of Abraham Cuyler and Rynier Van Yevere for the third ward.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Saturday the 15 December, 1764.

Mr. Mayor this day produced an account of money by him received for

Licences, Freedom, &c., and money by him received from Sybrant G. Van Schaick, late Mayor of this City, the 5th May, 1763, as also money by him paid for the use of the Corporation by which account it appears that there is due to the Commonalty the sum of £144:5:10. Ordered that the said sum of £144:5:10 be and remain in the hands of Mr. Mayor to be disposed of as the Corporation shall direct. Albany the 15 December, 1764, by virtue of a resolution this day made by the Common Council of this City you are ordered to pay the above sum of £20:18:6 to John Cuyler, Esq<sup>r</sup>, dated as above to John Roseboom, City Treasurer.

Att a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Tuesday the 20th December, 1764.

Resolved that the order made the 3d August last relating to the Corporation executing a Deed to Cap<sup>t</sup> Cortlandt Schuyler for eleven acres of ground on Gallows hill be void and null and it is hereby declared to be null and void to all intents and purposes.

Resolved that the Mayor sign and that the Corporation Seal be affixed to a Deed for Lands in the said Deed mentioned and described to Abraham Wendell.

Resolved that the Mayor sign and that the Corporation Seal be affixed to a Deed for Lands in the said Deed mentioned and described to Cap<sup>t</sup> Cortlandt Schuyler.

Alderman Lansing produces an account amounting to £50:10:3 for sundry disbursements made for the City of Albany. Ordered that the following persons be appointed a Committee to examine and inspect into the said account and make report accordingly, namely, John Beekman, Fonda & Hun.

Resolved, That Peter Lansing, Esq<sup>r</sup>, be allowed ten pounds for his services in overseing, &c., the publick works of the City. Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Fryday the 11th January, 1765.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting to examine the account of Alderman Lansing now make report that the said account is just and true and by a miscalculation it appears on said account that the same amounts to one pound ten shillings more.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Mr. Lansing for fifty-two pounds and three pence.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Philip Lansing and Thomas Hun for seven pounds four shillings for a pump & mending.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Abraham Yates, Esq<sup>r</sup>, six pounds one shilling for boards, &c.

Ordered that the Mayor pay out of the Corporation money he has in his hands to Jacob H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleeker, Abraham Ten Broeck and Volkert P. Douw, thirty pounds for their service in going to New York upon the City business.

Ordered that the ordinance to prevent accidents by unruly riding be renewed and continued. Vide old Book.

Ordered that the ordinance intitled an Ordinance for Tavern Keepers be renewed and continued with the amendments and additions thereto.

Att a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 4th March, 1765.

Mr. Stephen Schuyler one of the Common Council of the first ward being removed out of the City, ordered that a new Common Council be elected in his room on Saturday next at ten o'clock in the morning of that day at the City Hall of this City.

This Board being credibly informed that some enclosure are lately made back of a place called Margrate Bark within the Limits of the Coporation right, ordered that Aldermans Bleeker and Van Schaick and Mr. Thomas Hunn be appointed to break or cut down the fences or enclosures there made without delay.

Ordered that the Clerk write a Letter to Mr. Ricke and Anthony Bradt desiring their attendance on this Board on Wednesday morning next at ten o'clock.

An account of £26:12:11, was produced by Guysbert Marselis for the use of his sloop and sundry disbursements for carrying the Commissioners appointed to oppose the Petition of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Munro and Barr for Coporation Lands to New York and bringing them back, ordered that the same be allowed and that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

Alderman Sybrant Van Schaick produced an account amounting to £22:4:1 for sundry disbursements for the Costs, &c. Ordered that Alderman Lansing, Hendrick Bogert, Thomas Hunn be appointed a Committee to inspect into the said account and to make report accordingly; the Committee having examined the said account find it right. Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

Ordered that there be allowed to Cornelius Jacob Muller the sum of £19:10 for providing fire wood for the Town watch, and unto Albert Van Hoesen the sum of £3:5 also for providing wood for the City watch, and that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer for the same.

Ordered that there be allowed unto Hugh McNab for repairing the publick bridge five shillings and six pence, and that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

Ordered that there be allowed unto John Depeyster for sundrys £2:19:3 and that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

Ordered that there be allowed to Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Mayor, the sum of £12 for a house he purchased of John McComb for the City Sweep Chimney and that the Clerk draw an order for the same.

Johannis and Thomas Seager having settled with the Treasurer to the first day of October last and upon settling said account there comes a balance to him to that time of £12:5:9, lodging the whipper included, but his attending the City Watch excluded, and that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

Ordered that there be allowed forty shilling for going to New York to defend the rights of the City and that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 6th March, 1765.

Ordered that Philip Ryly be allowed six pounds for a years care of the Town Clock. Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

This Board this day agreed with Mr. John Rickey to let him have the house and ground that he purchased of Michael Hallenbeck and also the ground Michael enclosed and six acres to the west of a small branch of the Cromme Kill now is his possession and more particularly to be bounded and described by a Deed to be drawn and executed by the Partys, which he is to have for twenty-one years from the date hereof and to pay seven pounds yearly and every year, and at the end of the Term he or his heirs are to have it for a longer Term if the Corporation and he or they can agree; if they can not agree he or his heirs are to be allowed for the buildings that now are on it according to the appraisement of two indifferent persons to be chosen by the partys. The said John Ryckey is also to enter into a bond with such security as this Board shall approve of to perform the Covenants to be contained in said Deed and to deliver up peaceably possession to the Corporation at the end of the Term. Ordered that Alderman Bleeker make a Draft of the Lands to be granted and draw the Deed.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the same City on Monday the 11th March, 1766.

This day this Board agreed with Richard Allen to let him have twenty acres of Land to be particularly described by the Deed, be drawn and executed at three pounds a year, but he is to have it three years free rent.

By virtue of an order of this Board made the 4th March instant, Mr. Peter Ryckman is elected Common Council in the room of Mr. Stephen Schuyler, Common Council removed, and that Peter Ryckman took the Oaths accordingly.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 20 day of March, 1765.

Ordered that William Fryer be allowed five shillings for a Load of wood. Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

In consideration of the affair the Board ordered an abatement of ten shillings yearly of the rent of Mr. Ricke. Ordered that the Mayor sign and the City Seal be affixed to the Deed.

Ordered that David Gipson have the ground formerly in possession of Johannes Earhart for twenty-one years for which he is to pay the Treasurer twenty-one pounds upon execution of the Deed, thirty-four foot front and rear & back as far as Thomas Wilkerson. Ordered that the Mayor sign and the City Seal be affixed to the Deed.

Ordered that the Mayor sign and the City Seal be affixed to the Deed of Richard Allen.

Ordered that David Gipson have another Lott adjoining to the north of the above Lott of the same Demension of the above Lot for a year for ten shillings a year.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 20th day of April, 1765.

This Board hath appointed John Cuyler, Cornelius Ten Broeck, Peter Lansing & Hendrick Bogard, Guysbert Fonda & Thomas Hun to be a Committe to speak with the different people in what manner they will dispose of their Lands where the new street was ordered to be laid out, running from the corner of Mr. Garrit Lansings house northwards to the street that lays between John Ouderkerk & Barent Staats & make report

to this Board from time to time how & in what manner they can get the Lands from the different owners, as also for laying out a street from the place before mentioned to the west towards the Hospital.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Saturday the 27th April, 1765.

The following proposals in writing were this day delivered to this Board, viz: Conditions proposed by Captain Gordon by order of his Excellency General Gage, to the Mayor & Corporation of Albany, for removing the Kings Buildings from the streets of Albany, &c<sup>a</sup>, viz:

1st. That the Corporation shall contribute towards defraying the expence of pulling down, transporting and re-erecting the great store house near the Dutch Church & that they should have the assistance of the King's Artificers for that purpose.

2nd. That a full & compleat right from the Corporation should be made to the ground on which the Hospital stands and the Gardens thereto belonging to the Crown forever.

That the above two Conditions cordially granted. In behalf of the Corporation the whole Buildings in the streets shall be removed, likewise the Old Barracks and the greatest part of Mr. Kilbys Buildings, and the newest Pile of Barracks to be considered of. At Albany this 27th April, 1765. Harry Gordon, Cheif Eng<sup>r</sup> N. America. The same being fully considered of the resolutions following were made thereon. To the first proposal they answer:

1st. That this Board is willing to bear a part in pulling down the great Store Houses near the Dutch Church.

2d. To the second they say they conceive it will not be agreeable nor can they answer the granting that request to their Constituents, as it is a large & valuable peice of ground in the City. As the New Barracks still under his Excellency the Generals consideration are in the City & very dangerous in case of fire, they also are willing to bear a part in taking them down.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Monday the 29th April, 1765.

Ordered the Mayor send the following Letter to General Gage in behalf of the Corporation, viz:

Sir—I received your Letter of the 16th December, which I communicated to the Corporation, from which we were in great hopes that the Nusances in the publick streets would have been removed, but the season of the year then prevented it. This day proposals were made in your Excellencys name by Captain Gordon, a copy whereof with the Resolutions of the Corporation on the same, we have sent your Excellency for your perusal, the proposals not being so clear & intelligible as they could have been, caused our answers to be more confined, for to consent to the transporting or rebuilding of those houses, and not know where, would have been imprudent; we will contribute towards taking those buildings down in such reasonable manner as your Excellency shall propose. We never have yet complained of the Hospital being a nusance, and have as yet no objections to its being used for his Majestys service. But in process of time by the enlargement of the City that building may be in the very heart of the Town and in that case we should never be backward to allow

another suitable spot of ground for that purpose if the service of the Crown required it. I should always be ready to render every service to the Crown and for the ease of his Majesty's Troops. I am Sir.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Friday the 10th of May, 1765.

Jacobus Kidneys accounts of three pounds and sixpence to be paid to Roeloff Kidney.

The ordinance for night watch published for regulation of negroes.

Ordered that Thomas Seegar be allowed and paid ten pounds in part for his care of the City watch.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 10th June, 1765.

An Ordinance for the selling Flesh in the Market. Be it ordained by the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Assistants of the City of Albany in Common Council convened, and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same, that all kinds of flesh killed by the Butcher be exposed to sale in the publick Market house of this City and no where else till after ten o'clock in the morning when no Flesh or Meats to be sold by any of the Butchers or by any body for them on penalty of ten shillings for every default to be forfeited by any Butcher or person or persons that shall presume to sell or offer to sale any Flesh killed by the Butchers as aforesaid in any other place than the said Market house to be recovered by any person and for his use that shall sue for the same before the Mayor, Recorder or any of the Aldermen of this City, and it is hereby further ordained by the authority of the same, that the market house in the third ward of this City is hereby appointed the common market house or place of market for this City for the sale of all kinds of meat or flesh killed in this City by the Butchers.

Provided always that every person or persons that shall kill meat for sale within this City shall provide himself with a good scale and weights to be marked by Mr. Robert Lansing who is thereunto appointed and that no Butcher shall promise meat to any person beforehand, whatsoever person shall aske first shall be first served with such peice of meat as he shall apply for under the penalty of ten shillings for every default; this act to be in force from the eighteenth day of this instant June. And it is farther ordained by the authority of the same that all kinds of meat be sold by weight and that at four pence half penny a pound weight—and that whoever shall directly or indirectly sell offer or sett to sale any meat whatsoever in any other manner then is hereby directed, he she or they so offending concurring and relating to the article of meat shall forfeit and pay forever offence the sum of ten shillings to be recovered as aforesaid.

Resolved by this Board that Berrardus Bradt and Johannis Ten Broock shall have the Ferry for this year untill the first day of March next ensuing for fourteen pounds; Volkert P. Douw promises to pay seven pounds in behalf of Johannis Ten Broock and that Bernardus Bradt pay the other seven pounds as his own part.

Ordered that the Mayor return Mr. Silvester £25 which he made a present of to the Corporation for a bell which remains in his hands.

Hendrik Bleeker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, is appointed City Chamberlain in the room of John Roseboom, deceased.

At a Common Council held at the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday 13th June, 1765.

Mr. John Ten Eyck produces an account one pound eight shillings in behalf of Gerrit Fisher; ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 24 of June, 1765.

The Mayor having received the Generals Letter of the 8 May, 1765, which is now laid before the Board and ordered to be answered in the manner following :

Sir—I have received your Excellencys Letter of the 8th May last which would have been answered before, but my absence for some time and not being able to make a Common Council for some time after my return has prevented it, which Letter I have laid before the Corporation who have agreed to come to the following resolution in answer thereto to allow the King to have the use of the Hospital and yard for 21 years ; in case his Majestys service required it for longer time for Barracks they will chearfully allow it. The ground where Fort Orange formerly stood is the property of the Dutch Church, but if your Excellency can fix upon any other suitable spot that is in our power to grant we will allow it to the Crown for the use of building a Store upon and will furnish the Carriages for the removal of the Store house now near the Dutch Church to such place as shall be so fixed upon for that purpose by your Excellency, provided that the Barracks, Store house, stables and other buildings erected in the publick streets be removed as soon as may be.

Ordered that the Mayor sign the foregoing Letter and send it to the Generall.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 15th day of July, 1765.

Ordered by this Board that those who refuse to attend the City watch or send a sufficient man according to the regulations of an Ordinance heretofore made, instead of paying two shillings as heretofore ordered, shall for every default pay three shillings.

Resolved by this Board that whatever fines Cap' Joseph Yates recovers of defaulters in the said City watch shall remain in his hands untill such times as this Board shall think proper to make a demand of those monies of him.

By virtue of a Resolution of Common Council this day made there will be sold several Lots of Land lately laid out by John R. Bleecker, Esqr, at publick vendue to the west of the City on the Hill, &c<sup>a</sup>, subject to the annual reserve or rent of twenty shillings yearly  $\frac{2}{3}$  acre forever; said vendue to begin the 18th of this Instant.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 22 day of July, 1765.

Resolved by this Board that there shall be for the time ensueing three publick Markets in this City notwithstanding an Ordinance to the contrary thereof heretofore made on the tenth day of July, 1765, provided they always are subject to the same Regulation.



At a Common Councill held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the first day of August, 1765.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor execute the Deeds in behalf of the Corporation for the forty-eight Lots which were sold at publick Vendue according to a resolution made the 15th of July now last past.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Saturday the tenth day of August, 1765.

Memorandum that this Board consents and agrees with Johannes Seager in consideration of his old age and poverty that he and his wife shall possess, use and occupy the Dwelling house, Barn and ground about them now in Fence during their natural lives and no longer to live upon, but not to alienate, lease or dispose of the same to any person whatsoever, for which they are to pay six pence annually.

Ordered that the Deeds be drawn and that the Mayor sign it in behalf of the Corporation.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Monday the twelfth day of August, 1765.

Ordered that the Mayor sign the following Letter and send it to Gen<sup>l</sup> Gage :

I acknowledge the receipt of your Excellencys Letter of the 30th ultimo by Captain Gorden, on which I called a Common Council and laid it before them, who readily consented to allow a sufficient peice of ground to the Crown to rebuild the store house to be removed from near the Dutch Church, and I immediately acquainted Captain Gorden of it and informed him he might make search of a proper peice of ground in the Corporation right to be appropriated for that purpose, who reported to me that he could not find so proper and convenient a place as the ground where Fort Orange formerly stood. According to your Excellencys Letter we expected Captain Gorden would have endeavoured to come to an accomodation with the Dutch Church as he could not find a suitable spot that was in our power to give ; but he informed me he had no orders from your Excellency so to treat with them on that subject, and as he is now gone on his way to Detroit and your Excellency seems so desirous of having that peice of ground for the use aforesaid we look upon ourselves to have Conferance with the Ministor, Elders and Decons of the said Church relative to the said ground, and they seem to be disposed to let us have it and we belive we shall be able to purchase it of them for a reasonable consideration and which we shall make a further tryal of in hopes that if we effect it the buildings in our former Letters mentioned should be speedily removed and also that your Excellency will let us have the new pile of Barracks or such part as your Excellency shall think proper to be removed at our expence at some convenient place nearly back of the Fort for the reception of the Troops in case the Hospital which we hope and expect your Excellency will order to be fitted up for that end should at any time not prove to be large enough to contain them.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 4th September, 1765.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer pay the following Accounts, viz :

To John Morine Scott,	- - - - -	£21:18:0
To William Livingston,	- - - - -	26:19:0
To William Smith, Jun <sup>r</sup> ,	- - - - -	23: 7:0
To John R. Bleecker,	- - - - -	25:12:6
Allowed to Sarah Cooper,	- - - - -	5: 1:8
To Abraham E. Wendell,	- - - - -	5: 5:0
To James Sharp,	- - - - -	34: 1:0
To Volkert P. Douw,	- - - - -	17: 1:1

Resolved by this Board that the new streets lately laid out by order of Common Council of which a map is now before us signed with our hands and sealed with the seal of the said City wherein every street is particularly laid down and named, shall be from henceforth & forever hereafter publick streets to all intents and purposes whatsoever and that the said map shall be lodged with the City Treasurer.

Memorandum that whenever the owners of the Lotts lately sold by the Common Council lying on the south side of Foxes Creek and are bounded on the north by Howe street shall be willing to widen the said street by having or drawing in the Front of their said Lotts, that then the said street shall continue that breadth the whole length of the said street north-west and southwest.

Whereas How street is represented on account of the Creek running through it to be too narrow, Resolved that if the different owners of the Lotts lately bought on the south side thereof will let a number of feet lay next to and for a public street there shall be deducted in proportion to the principal have paid for the same.

The Rev<sup>d</sup> Doctor Brown and William Rogers produced a Petition in Common Council for a spot of Land to build a Dwelling house for their Minister, which this Board has taken into further consideration.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Sunday the 29th Sep<sup>r</sup>, 1765—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, John Cuyler, John R. Bleeker, Peter Lansing, Sybrant V. Schaick, Abraham Yates, S<sup>r</sup>, Cornelius T. Brook, Abraham T. Broeck, Thomas Hunn, Guysbert Fonda, John Beekman.

This being the day appointed by Charter for the election of Aldermen, Common Council, Constables, &c., the following is the order in which they were elected and returned.

First Ward—Peter Lansing & Sybrant V. Schaick, Aldermen; John Van Alen & Hendrick Bogard, Common Council; John Wilson & Thomas Seegar, Constables.

Second Ward—John R. Bleeker & Jacob Lansing, Aldermen; Garrardus Lansing & John I. Beekman, Common Council; Peter Daniels & W<sup>m</sup> Groosbeek, Constables.

Third Ward—Cornelius T. Broecke & Abraham Yates, J<sup>r</sup>, Aldermen; Abraham T. Broeck & Thomas Hunn, Common Council; Rynier V. Yeavere & James Williams, Constables.

Henry Bleeker, Ju<sup>r</sup>, appointed Chaimberlin; Johannes Seager, Marshall; Peter Daniels appointed High Constable.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City Tuesday the 8 Oct<sup>r</sup>, 1765.

Captain Montessor having communicated to some of the members of

this Board a Parragraf of a Letter from his Excellency General Gage directed to him in these words :

I can have no objections to remove the new Barracks at their own costs to the place they desire as soon as ever they please.

Resolved that this Board will procure the ground where Fort Orange formerly stood to be vested in the Crown for to erect Store houses on as long as the service of his Majestys may require—and that the Mayor who is soon to go to New York be supplied with further instructions about the matter and confer with the General on it, when Captain Montessor may also inform the General about it. Ordered that Cap<sup>t</sup> Montessor be served with a copy hereof.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday 14 Octr, 1765.

An Ordinance for the better preventing & extinguishing of Fires that may happen within the City of Albany.

Be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany convened in Common Council and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same, that the Aldermen and Assistants of each respective ward within this City do appoint two sufficient persons in every ward within the s<sup>d</sup> City to be Viewers of Chimneys, Hearths and places where Ashes are or shall be kept, who shall view the same once in every Fortnight and where they find any defective to give notice that the same shall be swept, mended or secured at such time as in their discretion they shall think fit, and if any person shall neglect or refuse to perform their direction herein, such person shall forfeit the sum of six shillings for the use of the said Viewers of the ward where such neglect or refusal shall happen—and if any person or persons so appointed Viewers of Chimneys and Hearths shall refuse to execute the duty hereby required the person so refusing shall forfeit the sum of forty shillings and that another be appointed in his place, and if the said Viewers after having accepted of the said office shall neglect their duty hereby enjoined they shall forfeit the sum of six shillings for each neglect.

2. And be it further ordained by the authority afore<sup>d</sup>, that if any inhabitant within this City shall suffer his, her or their Chimney to be on fire for want of sweeping or keeping clean the same, such Inhabitant dwelling in such House where such Chimney shall be on fire shall forfeit for every Chimney that shall be on fire the sum of forty shillings, and who-soever of the City Guard that shall discover any accidental fire to break out in any of the dwelling houses, out houses or stables or any other combustible matter whatsoever, he or they so discovering the same shall be entitled to a reward of three pounds to be paid by one of the Aldermen of the ward where such fire shall happen, within three days after proof made of such first discovery to his the said Aldermen satisfaction, who is to be reimbursed out of the City Treasury, by order of Common Council.

3. And be it further ordained by the authority af<sup>d</sup>, that the Inhabitant of every house within this City uses two fire Places shall provide at his own expence by the first day of May next two Leather Buckets, every Brewer, Tavern keeper and Baker, three Leather Buckets to be ready in their Houses, and that the same be found and procured by the persons inhabiting the said Houses and to be allowed by the Land Lord out of their rent, and that the said Buckets be marked with at least the Initial Letters

of their own or Land Lords name, and if any House keeper within this City shall neglect to procure and have ready in their respective Dwelling Houses the number of Leather Buckets in manner herein before mentioned, such House keeper shall forfeit for every such neglect the sum of six shillings, and that all Buckets used at any fire and afterwards detained from their owner thereof about forty-eight hours after such fire is distinguished, the person so detaining such Buckets shall forfeit and pay for each Bucket so detained the sum of ten shillings, and if the owners of such Buckets are not known, such Bucket or Buckets shall be sent to the City hall of this City and there to be delivered to the Marshall or under sheriff in order that the right owner thereof may find and have them, and altho it seems astonishing that in a Christian country where the assential principles of professed religion lay the people under an indispensable obligation to do to others as they would others should do unto them, should see their neighbours Houses on fire and not use their utmost endeavours to assist them to quench it, notwithstanding experience shews that there are people so far abandoned as to appear, as it were to shew their indifference, and instead of assisting, a duty required by the Laws of Christianity & nature, often impede and hinder others from assisting their neighbours in such casualty and distress, for remedy of such enexcusable remissness in such dangerous casualties.

4. And be it further ordained by the authority afores<sup>d</sup>, that the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Assistants and Sheriff for the future, as often as any fire shall break out within this City either by day or by night, by the first notice thereof as aforesaid shall and will repair to the place where such fire happen and take the direction thereof and that things may be carried on with more regularity, the Mayor, Recorder, and in their absence the first two Aldermen and Sheriff who shall happen to be next first shall have the care and direction of the people & Fire engines, with all other Tools and Instruments for the speedy extinguishing the same fire, and the remaining Aldermen and Assistants with the assistance of the Constables to have the ranking, placing and directing of the people to hand water, and any person or persons being ordered and directed at or about such fire by the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Assistants or Sheriff, who shall neglect or refuse to obey and perform the same, he or they so neglecting shall forfeit and pay for every such neglect or refusal the sum of ten shilling current money aforesaid.

5. And be it further ordained by the authority af<sup>t</sup> that no person or persons whatsoever shall from the publication hereof have, keep or put any hay or straw in his or their yard or yards, garden or gardens, or in any other place or places except in close buildings proper for the purpose, and also that no person or persons whatsoever shall have, keep or put any hay or straw in any house, stable, or other buildings in this City aforesaid that is or shall be within ten feet of any Chimney, Hearth or Fire place or place for keeping Ashes under the Penalty of twenty shillings for each offence, and that every person and persons shall be subject to the like penalty as often as he she or they shall continue to keep hay straw in any or either of the houses, stables or places as aforesaid above forty-eight hours after every conviction.

6. And be it further ordained by the authority afore<sup>t</sup> that if any children, youth, apprentices, servants or other persons do fire or discharge any gun or pistol, leadon gun, Rockets, Crackers, Squibs or other fire works at any

mark or at random against any fence, pales or other place in any street, lane or alley, Garden or other enclosure or in any place where persons frequently to walk, such persons so offending shall forfeit for every such offence the sum of six shillings current money of New York, and on refusing to pay the same shall be committed to the goal or stocks at the direction of the Mayor, Recorder or Aldermen or any one of them before whom such offender shall be convicted, there to remain committed not exceeding three days unless such forfeiture as aforesaid be sooner paid with the lawful fees of commitment, one half thereof to the informer with costs the other half the Church wardens of this City for the use of the poor.

7. And be it further ordained by the authority afore<sup>l</sup> that in case of any outcry of fire or any other alarm, riot, rout or insurrection that all and every of the Citizens and Inhabitants that dwell in rooms fronting the streets, lanes or alleys of this City or are or shall be in possession thereof shall immediately illuminate and set three or more Candles in his, her or their front windows, there to remain illuminated untill Day Light unless such fire alarm, riot, rout, insurrection shall sooner be extinguished or quelled, and if any Citizen or Inhabitant shall neglect to set Candles in his, her or their front windows as aforesaid, such Citizen or Inhabitant shall forfeit for every such offence three shillings.

8. And be it further ordained by the authority af<sup>l</sup> that the one half of all the Fines, forfeitures and Penalties aforesaid shall be paid to such person or persons as shall sue for and prosecute the same to effect, the other half to the Church wardens of the said City for the use of the poor thereof, and shall and may be recovered before the Mayor, Recorder or Aldermen or any other of them with costs of suit.

The following officers were this day sworn & qualified, viz :

First Ward—Peter Lansing & Sybrant Van Schaick, Aldermen ; Thomas Seeger & John Leandart, Constables.

Second Ward—John Bleecker & Jacob J. Lansing, Aldermen ; John Beekman & Gerrardus Lansing, Common Council ; Peter Dennis & W<sup>m</sup> I. Grosbeek, Constables.

Third Ward—Cornelius Ten Broeck & Abraham Yates, Aldermen ; Thomas Hun & Abraham Ten Broeck, Common Council ; Ryneer Van Yeaveren & James Williams, Constables.

Ordered by this Board that the Treasurer pay to Mr. John Bleecker the sum of forty five one shilling and six pence as per account delivered in this day.

Ordered that there is to be allowed to Thomas Williams the sum of seven pounds seventeen shillings.

Ordered by this Board that there be allowed to Mr. Abraham Yates, Jr, four pounds eight shillings and two pence as per account.

The Question being put and the opinion desired wether the new Pile of Barracks shall be immediately taken down or to remain untill next Spring. Carried in the affirmative.

For the Affirmative—John Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, Cornelius Ten Broeck, Sybrant Van Schaick, John R. Bleeker, Jacob J. Lansing, Abraham Yates, Jr, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Aldermen ; Abr<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, John Beekman, Gerrardus Lansing, Thomas Hunn, Assistants.

Negative—Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Mayor ; Peter Lansing, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Alder<sup>n</sup>.

Ordered by this Board that Jacobus Radclift be allowed five pounds for ringeng the Bell for the year 1765.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Saturday the 9th of November, 1765.

Hendrick Bogard & John Van Alen sworn and qualified as Common Council.

Ordered that the Account of Robert Lansing of £7:16 be allowed, the sum of £5 being included for taking care of the fire Indians from the 23d June, 1764, to June 23d, 1765.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same.

Ordered that an Advertisement be struck up that the people bring in their Accounts on by Wednesday next to the different [Aldermen] and Common Council of the respective wards.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Wednesday the 13th Nov<sup>r</sup>, 1765.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order upon the City Treasurer in favour of the patron for liberty of cutting wood in the manner from the 22d Nov<sup>r</sup> 1759 to 22d Nov<sup>r</sup> 1765, at eleven pounds a year, amounting in the whole to £66. Several Accompts were delivered in and thereupon a Committee of the following persons were appointed to inspect into the same Accounts, Aldermen Lansing, Abraham Ten Broeck, John Beekman, Thomas Hunn.

Fire Masters appointed as follows : Lucas Hoogekerk, Peter Jones, for the first ward ; Nicholas Merselis, John Visher, for the second ward ; Nanning H. Visher, Gerrit Rooseboom, for the third ward.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 21 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1765.

This Board being informed that some person has cut down Timber in the Corporation right in order to build in said right, ordered that the said Timber be destroyed and such person be prosecuted to build thereon, and that one or two of the members go to view the same.

Ordered that the Mayor sign and send the following Letter to the General Gage :

S<sup>r</sup> : From the many Letters passed between your Excellency and this Corporation and also by a paragraph in a Letter from your Excellency to Cap<sup>t</sup> Montessor and by Conversation between your Excellency and the Mayor of this Board, we expected we were at liberty to remove the new pile of Barracks when we pleased, which work we should have begun to perform before now but were not able to procure workman. Those Barracks are now taken up and possessed by a number of Troops lately arrived from Crown Point and other posts which we cannot think is in consequence of your Excellencys order and especially as the Hospital is Large and convenient enough for their reception and your Excellency was of opinion that the Hospital would do for any Troops that in all probability would be here, we lately informed the Commanding officer of our intention to break down that building, but he said he could not suffer it without your orders first signified to him for that purpose ; we would therefore request your Excellency to send orders to the Commanding officer here to have those Troops removed to the Hospital that we may be enabled to go on with the work.

Att a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Monday the 25th Novr 1765.

An account being produced to this Board for work done in making an addition to the Market in the third ward to which Mr. Mayor objected because it was ordered to be done by two of the Aldermen without leave of the Corporation.

Resolved that it is the unanimous opinion of this Board that it is unprecedented and contrary to the rules of this Corporation.

Abraham Ten Broeck produced the said account and it being put to the Question whether the said account should be allowed or not :

In the Affirmative—John Ten Eyck, Sybrant Van Schaick, Jacob Lansing, Abraham T. Broeck, John Beekman, Gerrardus Lansing.

Negative—Volkert P. Douw, Peter Lansing.

The Committe appointed having examined the following account and agreeable to their report on the same,

Ordered that there be allowed to Jacob Lansing, Junr, the sum of £30:1:4 as per account delivered for the box and drain in the second ward.

Ordered that there be allowed to Alderman Peter Lansing as per account for Disbursements for the City, £60:6:9.

Ordered that there be allowed unto the Executors of the estate of John Rooseboom, late City Treasurer, £25:2:10.

Ordered that there be allowed unto Alderman Sybrant Van Schaick for Disbursements for the City, £41:4:1.

Ordered that there be allowed unto Alderman Ten Broeck the sum of £145:4:2.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the said Accounts.

Whereas Lucas Hoogekerk and Peter Jones, who were appointed Fire Masters for the first ward, have given sufficient reasons why they cant attend that Business,

Ordered that Isaac Hoogekerk and Johannis Van Valkenbergh be appointed in their room.

Resolved that this Board address his Excellency Sir Henry Moore, Governour of New York, and that the Mayor sign and Mr. Ten Broeck & the Mayor deliver the same.

Resolved that no Buildings or other things be mended on the Citys account without consent of the Board.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 31st day of December, 1765.

Ordered by this Board that there be allowed Mr. Philip Ryley £6 for attending the Town Clock one year. Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on Treasurer for the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 16 day of Jany, 1766.

Ordered that John Van Alen be a fireman in the room of Stephen Schuyler who is removed out of Town.

Hendrick Wendell and Hendrick R. Lansing to be added to the number already appointed, and also Philip Lansing & also William Winne.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Saturday the 15 day of Febr'y 1766.

The whole Board being unanimous of opinion that it was requisite a Dock should be made and the Question arose where it ought to be made most convenient and advantageous for the City, the following were of opinion at the north end of the Town: John Ten Eyck, Cornelius Ten Broeck, Abraham Yates, Sybrant Van Schaick, Jacob Lansing, John Beekman, Abraham T. Broeck, Thomas Hunn, John R. Bleeker.

The following where of opinion it should be made between the house where Patrick McGee dec<sup>d</sup> formerly lived and Millers: Volkert P. Douw, John Van Alen, Peter Lansing, Garrardus Lansing.

Ordered that the Recorder, Thomas Hunn, John Bleeker and Abraham Ten Broeck be appointed a Committee to manage and agree with workmen, &c., to get materials & build the same.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for six Skipple of wheat in favour of Joh<sup>s</sup> Seager.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seager for ten pounds in full for attending City watches sixteen months, the order the Mayor give him a few days ago inclusive.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 4th March, 1766.

This Board unanimously resolved that there should be three Docks erected, one at the north side of the Town nearly opposite the stone wall of the following dimensions, viz: with the breadth of thirty feet down to the Channel or depth of the River and along the said Channel eighty feet and forty feet in breadth.

The second to be near Mr. Harme Gansevoorts with the breadth of thirty feet down to the Channel or depth of the River and along the Channel eighty feet in length and thirty feet in breadth.

The other to be nearly behind the City Hall with the breadth of thirty feet down to the Channel or depth of the River and along the Channel eighty feet in length and thirty feet in breadth.

The following persons are appointed by this Board as a Committee to manage and agree for materials in building the said, viz: for the first Dock near the stone wall, John Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, Cornelius Ten Broeck, Thomas Hun and Abraham Ten Broeck.

For the second Dock near Gansevoorts, John R. Bleeker, Jacob J. Lansing, Gerrardus Lansing and John J. Beeckman.

For the third Dock nearly behind the City Hall, Sybrant Van Schaick, Peter Lansing, Henry Bogart and John Van Alen.

Att a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 21st day of March, 1766.

Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Mayor, produced an account of £3:15:6 in behalf of Michael Wagener for sweeping Chimneys.

John R. Bleeker, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produces an account £2:2:3 in behalf of Frans Pruyn.

Sybrant Van Schaick, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produces an account of £1:4 in behalf of Wilhelmus Van Antwerpen.

Ordered that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer for the same.



At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 29th day of April, 1766.

Ordered by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seeger for six schipple of weat.

An ordinance to prevent damages by swine :

Be it ordained by the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Commonalty in Common Council convened, that from and after the 26th day of May next, that every Hog or swine that shall be found running at large within any street or Lane of this City shall be taken up and Impounded in any public or private Pound by any one of the Inhabitants of this City, and the owner or owners of such swine shall forfeit and pay to the person who shall Impound the same for every swine or Hog so found in any street or Lane the sum of three shillings, and on refusall of paying the said fine it shall be lawfull for the person so impounding such swine to sell the same at public Vendue, first giving notice by advertisement at least 24 hours before the sale thereof. If any dispute arises the same to be determined by the Mayor, Recorder or any one of the Aldermen in the ward in which such disputes shall or may arise.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 3th day of May, 1766.

William Waldrom produces an account of £28:10:6 for work done for said City. Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on Treasurer for the same.

Resolved that an Ordinance be made for appointing a sworn Surveyer in the City, and Hendrick I. Bogart is hereby appointed Surveyor & sworn in his office accordingly.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 7th day of June, 1766.

Ordered by this Board that John N. Beeckman be appointed Fireman for the third ward and Barent Van Alen for the first ward.

Ordered by this Board that the New Pile of Barricks or so much thereof as the Corporation think fit be sold at Publick Vendue.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 10th day of July, 1766.

Resolved that an Ordinance be made for selling of Flesh.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 14th day of July, 1766.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor execute the following Deeds and that the City Treasurer fix the Seals to the same, viz :

One to Hugah Viele of about forty acres of land.

One to Lewis Van Antwerpe for ninety-five acres & one half of an acre.

Do. to Christian Christianse for ninety-nine acres and one fourth of an acre.

Do. to Lewis T. Viele for twenty-two acres.

Do. to Wouter N. Grooesbeeck for six acres.

Do. to Abr<sup>m</sup> Beecker for twenty-two acres.

Do. to Joh<sup>s</sup> Knickerbacker for ten acres.

Do. to Nicholas Grooesbeeck for nine acres.

Dirck T. Van Veghte for twelve acres.

Peter V: Ness for twenty-nine acres.

Ordered by this Board that the Treasurer sell the City Wheat at four shillings per schipple and if he cannot obtain that price to send it down to New York within a fortnight time to be sold there at the highest price.

Resolved by this Board that the twelve lots of ground laid out by John R. Bleecker, Esq<sup>r</sup>, where the Barricks formerly stood on be sold at Publick Vendue to the highest bidder on Saturday the second day of August next. Ordered that advertisements be put up accordingly.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 28 day of July, 1766.

Ordered by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Peter Silvester, Esq<sup>r</sup>, for services as Clerk from the first June 1764 to the first of June 1766, being two years, at £15:18 a year, comes to £31:16.

Ordered by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of James Nash for £4:5 for services done for said City at Kings birth day.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of Peter Sherp for £6:1:10 for work done at the Hospital.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the second day of August, 1766.

By virtue of a Resolution made the 14th day of July, 1766, ordered that the twelve Lotts be sold this day according to said Resolve and that a Quit rent of six shillings be reserved on each Lott yearly and every year for ever.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 30th day of August, 1766.

Resolved by this Board that the following Address be presented to his Excellency Sir Henry Moore, Governor, and that the Clerk sign the same in behalf of this Board.

To his Excellency Sir Henry Moore, Baronet, Captain general and Governor in Cheaf in and over the Colony of New York and the Territories depending thereon in America, Vice admiral and Chancellor of the same, the Humble address of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany.

May it please your Excellency, We, the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany, congratulate you on your safe arrival to this City with your family; we with eagerness imbrace the present favorable opportunity of expressing our sentiments of joy on your Excellency's appointment to the administration of the Government of the Colony of New York and think we have great reason to rejoice in the paternal Care and Tenderness which our most Gracious Sovereign has displayed to this Colony by so judiciously bestowing the Reigns of Government on a Gentleman of your Excellency's abilities.

The Priviledges that have been granted to this Corporation by Charter we doubt not will be kept safe and inviolable under your Excellency's administration, and your Excellency may be assured that we shall do every thing in our power to make your administration easy & happy.

To which his Excellency was pleased to return the following :

Mr. Mayor & Gentlemen of the Corporation, I return you many thanks for this address and your Compliments of congratulation on my arrival here. The City of Albany may be assur'd that the Rights and Priviledges which have heretofore been granted to their Corporation will be always preserved and confirmed to them in as full and ample manner as they have ever enjoyed them under any former administration.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 1st day of September, 1766.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor in behalf of the Corporation sign the seven Deeds for the seven Lots of ground sold at Publick Vendue the second day of August last to John M. Beekman, Wilhelmus Monshies, William Regal, John Glen, Tobias Ten Eyck, Comfort Severs & Abraham Roseboom, and cause the City Seal to be thereunto affixed.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 5th day of September, 1766.

This Board unanimously resolve for to sue the Executors of Volkert Douw on a Bond which said Douw gave to the Corporation some years agoe to give peaceable possession to said Corporation of the Verreberg.

Resolved by this Board that Mr. Silvester be employed on behalf of the Corporation to bring on the following suit together with Mr. Abr<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jur. Esq<sup>r</sup>, the suit is to be brought in the Inferior Court of Common Pleas for the County of Albany.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 15th day of May, [September?] 1766.

Resolved by this Board that the Ordinances be renewed for regulating of Tavern Keeper.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of John Van Alen for fifty pounds to pay some of the people that bring stone for the dock of said City.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Thomas Hun and Abraham Ten Broeck for the sum of fifty pounds for the same.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of John J. Beekman for fifty pounds for the same.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of James Bloodgood for fifty pounds being in part of Payment for building the new Barricks.

Resolved that there be allowed unto Philip Hoffman and Jacobus Radt-leff for two pounds for Bell ringing at Kings Birth day. Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar for the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 17th September, 1766.

Resolved by this Board that a Warrantee Clause be annexed to the lease given to John Rickey dated the 23d day of March, 1765, and that the Mayor execute the same accordingly.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 29th day of September, 1766—Present, the Recorder, John R. Bleeker, Peter Lansing, Abraham Yates, Jur, Sybrant V. Schaick, Cornelius T. Broeck, Jacob J. Lansing, John J. Beekman, John Van Alen, Gerrardus Lansing, Thomas Hunn.

This being the day appointed by Charter for electing of Aldermen, Common Council, Constables, &c., the following is the order in which they were elected and returned:

First Ward—Peter Lansing & Henry Bogart, Esqr<sup>s</sup>, Aldermen; John Fryer & John Van Alen, Common Council; Obediah Van Benthuysen & Leonard Cortney, Constables.

Second Ward—John R. Bleeker & Jacob J. Lansing, Aldermen; Gerrardus Lansing & Nanning Visser, Common Council; Thomas Armstrong & Abraham Ates, Constables.

Third Ward—Abraham Yates, Jur, & Jacob Van Schaick, Aldermen; Dirk B. V. Schoehoven, & John Ten Broeck, Common Council; Myndert Vosburgh & John Meandert, Constables.

Henry Bleeker, Jur, appointed Chamberlain; Johannis Seeger appointed Marshall; Myndert Vosburgh appointed High Constable.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 11th day of October, 1766.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor execute the following Leases, viz: one to Peter Sherp for a lot of Ground near English Church; one Do. to John Sanders for a small peice of Ground near the same bounded as follows, viz, is five feet in front and rear and in length on both sides one hundred and seventy-three feet, all Ryland measure; one Do. to Henry Bleeker, Jur, for a peice of ground where his Store House is erected on, bounded as follows, viz, in breadth on the west thirteen feet and 6 inches before by the street, on the east 15 feet in rear, in length five feet & four inches, all Ryland measure; one Do. to John Stevenson and Abraham Ten Eyck for a Percell of land on the Gallows Hill bounded as follows, viz, begins at a certain corner which is one chain distant on a north forty-five east course from the north east corner of the lot of ground now belonging and in possession of Jacob H. Ten Eyck, runs from the said corner north forty-five degrees west twenty-one chains, then north forty-five degrees east eight chains and thirty-five links, then south forty-five degrees east twenty-one chains, then south forty-five degrees west eight chains and thirty-five links to the place where it first began, and contains seventeen acres two rod and five perches of land excepting four morgan or eight acres out of the above granted premises belonging to Jacob C. Ten Eyck, James Stevenson, Nicholas Cuyler and Sybrant Van Schaick, and the other parcel begins at a certain corner which is one chain distant on a north forty-five degrees east course from the north east corner of the parcel of land last above described and runs from the said beginning corner north forty-five degrees west ten chains, then north forty-five degrees east six chains and fifty links, then south forty-five degrees east ten chains, then south forty-five degrees west six chains and fifty links to the place where it first begun, contains six acres two rood of land; one Do. to John McComb, Samuel Holliday, Robert Henry, Abraham Lyle and John Munro for a peice of Ground where the Presbyterian Meeting House is erected on, being

bounded as follows, beginning at a certain Point being seventy-two feet from the south west corner of a lot belonging to William Tryon, from the said Point extending northerly and containing in length on the east side one hundred & thirty-two feet and on the south side one hundred and forty-eight feet & on the north side thirty feet and on the northwest side one hundred and ninety-two feet, all Ryland measure, bounded on the East by the street laying between the lotts of William Fryer, Roolof Kidney and others, and on the South ranging the north side of the street on the south side of the said William Fryers lot, on the North and north westerly the land of the said Mayor, Aldermen & Commonalty.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall on Monday 13th Oct<sup>r</sup>, 1766.

Resolved by this Board that Mayor execute the Deed to Charles Hogstrosor, John Tilman, John James Abbet and Jacob Freligh for a Peice of Ground on Wouts Bergh to erect a Church\* on agreeable to said deed.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall on Tuesday 14th Oct<sup>r</sup>, 1766.

This Board agreed with Thomas McCarty for to be their Publick Whipper to commence from the 14th day of October, 1766, for twenty pound a year to be paid Quarterly.

The following officers where this day sworn and qualified, &c. :

First Ward—Peter Lansing & Henry I. Bogert, Aldermen ; John Van Alen Common Council ; Obediah V. Benthuyssen & Leonard Cortney, Constables.

Second Ward—John R. Bleecker & Jacob J. Lansing, Aldermen ; Gerrardus Lansing, Common Council ; Thomas Armstrong & Abraham Ates, Constables.

Third Ward—Abraham Yates & Jacob V. Schaick, Aldermen ; John Ten Broeck, Common Council ; Myndert Vosburgh & John Leonard, Constables.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the House of Peter De Wandelaeer of the same City on Fryday the 17th day of October, 1766—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Peter Lansing, Henry Bogert, Abraham Yates, Jur, John R. Bleecker, Jacob J. Lansing, Jacob Van Schaick, John Ten Broeck, John Van Alen, Gerrardus Lansing.

This Board Resolved to appoint Hendrick Bogert, John Van Alen & John Ten Broeck as a Committe to wait upon Cap<sup>t</sup> Montressoer for to know if he would Except of the Deed for the spot of Ground for to erect the Kings Store according to a resolve made the eighth of October, 1765, which said Resolve Cap<sup>t</sup> Montressoer was served with a Copy.

The Committe being returned say that Cap<sup>t</sup> Montressoer informs them that he could not except of the deed because his instruction was to consult with Coll. Broodstreet about the removal of the same ; he informs the Committe that Coll. Brodstreet tells him he would not except of the deed because the Conveyance was not made to the Crown for ever without any Conditions or Exceptions whatsoever.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall on Saturday 18th Oct<sup>r</sup>, 1766.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor in behalf of the Corporation

\*This was the German Reformed Church. See *Annals*, i, 128.

sign the following Deeds, viz : one to Peter Binneway for one hundred and eighty-seven acres of wood land adjoining the line of Saratoga Patent, as also one Samuel Stringer for a Lott of Ground on the Hill near the Fort adjoining the English Burying Place.

This day Dirk Bratt Van Schoenhoven, John Fryer and Nanning Visher were sworn and qualified as Common Council.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 28th day of October, 1766.

Resolved by this Board that y<sup>e</sup> Bridge behind Simon Veeders be made farther to the Eastward and that the rising ground lying behind the Lott of Lendert Gansevoorts, dec<sup>d</sup>, & Lansings be levelled and thrown in a fence or Stock adoes to be made from the dock to the said Bridge in such a manner as Mess<sup>rs</sup> Bleecker & Lansing, Aldermen, & Lansing & Visher, Assistants, being the Committee for the said dock, shall think proper.

Ordered by this Board that there be allowed unto the widow of Jacobus Radliff, dec<sup>d</sup>, the sum of five pounds for ringing the Bell the last year.

This Board agreed with John Radtloff to ring the Bell from the 23d of October, 1766, until the 23d Oct<sup>r</sup> following for £5 a year.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Cornelus Muller for seventy load of wood for the City watch at five shillings and three pence  $\frac{3}{4}$  load comes to £18:7:3.

Resolved that the Recorder, Alderman Peter Lansing and Mr. Gerrardus Lansing be a Committee to examine the Accounts owing by the Corporation to the different people.

Resolved that those born in the City of Albany shall have their freedoms each paying two shillings six pence, six pence for drawing, one shilling for the Seal, one shilling for the Mayor or any three Aldermen for executing the same.

Fire Masters appointed as follows :

John Scott & Henry Merselis, for the first ward.

Benj<sup>n</sup> Egbertse & Barent Roseboom, for the second ward.

Tunis Bratt & Ab<sup>m</sup> Bogert, for the third ward.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 13th day of December, 1766.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on Treasurer in favour of the following persons, viz :

For Step <sup>n</sup> De Lancey,	-	-	-	-	£30:16
For Asa Phelps,	-	-	-	-	2: 1
One for Josep I. Yates,	-	-	-	-	45
One Thomas Williams,					

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor execute a deed to Philip Ryley for twenty-one years on Condition that the deed be void on the Tender of one shilling to the Lessee for a Tract of land scituate lying & being to the South of the City of Albany on the North of Beaver Kill, bounded on the South by the said Beaver Kill, on the East by Hudsons River, on the North by the several Pastures or Lotts belonging to Claas Van Den Bergh, Jacob Ten Eyck, John Griffiths, Marte Beekman, Gerrit Lansing, Harme & Tunis Visher and Cornelius Van Scharlyne, and on the West by the Ground now in possession of Philip Schuyler, Cap<sup>t</sup> Cortlandt Schuyler & Thomas Wilkison.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 5th day of January, 1767.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seeger for nine pounds for the last years service, and also four pounds for extraordinary trouble for the last year.

And also an order on the Treasurer in favour of Philip Ryley for six pounds for the last year for attending the Town Clock.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City Fryday the 9th day of January, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer in favour of the following persons :

One for John Cluet Jur, for	-	-	£2:14:0
One Do. to Michael Wagenaer,	-	-	3:18:0
One Do. to Jacob Lansing, in die Colony	-	-	3: 7:3
One Do. to Richard Cartwright,	-	-	24: 6:6
One Do. to Gerrit Van Sante,	-	-	3:19:3
One Do. to Abraham Yates, Jur,	-	-	9: 7:0
One Do. to David Switts,	-	-	4: 4:0
One Do. to Hendrick Ten Eyck,	-	-	11: 5:0
One Do. to Jacob Cooper,	-	-	4: 3:9
One Do. to Patrick Clark,	-	-	49:13:7
One Do. to Anthony Flensburgh	-	-	9: 9:9
One Do. to Peter Hilton,	-	-	9: 2:0
One Do. to Peter Brooks,	-	-	3:17:0

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Ten Eyck, Gerrardus Lansing & Peter Lansing for six hundred pounds for money by them disbursed for the said Corporation.

Ordered that an order be drawn on John Sanders on behalf of John J. Beekman for £22:10.

This Board agreed with Benj<sup>n</sup> Gable for to be their Publick Whipper, to commence from the 1st day of December 1766, to the first of December 1767, for twenty pounds a year, to be paid Quarterly.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign a freedom to Step<sup>n</sup> De Lancey and cause the City Seal to be thereunto affixed.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 19th day of January, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John J. Beekman for twenty-two pounds ten shillings.

And one in favour of Naning Visher for four pounds eighteen shil: & four pence.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 2d day of February, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John McIntyre for nineteen pounds eighteen shillings for masons work at the new Barricks which is to be paid unto Henry I. Bogert.

Resolved by this Board that the four Lots of Ground lately laid out by Naning Visher behind the house and lot of Barentie Spoor & to the south of the Presbytering House be sold at Publick Vendue to morrow morning at ten oclock to the highest bidder, being in breath each lot forty-one feet and in length one hundred and twenty-nine feet.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the the said City on Monday the 9th day of February, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign a Deed to John Ostrander for a Lott of Ground on the Hill, it being N. 9 sold to him at Publick Vendue for one hundred and five pounds, being in length on both sides one hundred and forty-two feet.

Also that the Mayor sign the Deeds to the following persons, viz: One to William Waldron for Lot No. 1 & 2; one Do. to Jonathan Brooks for Lot No. 3; and Do. to Thomas Hilton for Lot No. 4, being sold unto them at Publick Vendue according to a resolve made the 2d day Feb'y In<sup>st</sup>.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 14th March, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Dirck Ten Broeck for eleven pounds eight shillings &  $\frac{1}{4}$  farthing for necessaries provided for said Corporation at Kings Birth day.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of William Waldron for twenty-two pounds twelve shillings and three pence for masons work done at the Creek in the 3d ward where the Market House is on.

This Board seteled with Claes Speeck for keeping Benj<sup>r</sup> Gable the Publick Whipper fifteen weeks for three pound, it being for rent due by said Claas Speeck to the Corporation for the Ground where his house is on.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Tho<sup>s</sup> Seeger for six Schipple of wheat at what prise the other is sold for, & also Do. for John Redtliff for three Schipple at the like as the other.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 26th day of March, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Stephen Van Schaack and Comp<sup>y</sup> for £105, being in part payment for building the warf down at the City Hall.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Asa Phelps for £6:6:1, being the ballance of his Account.

An Ordinance was this day published for regulating the lying of Vessels in the four several Docks of this City.

This day was seteled with Barnardus Bratt in full of all Accounts with the Ferry until the first day of April next.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 28th day of March, 1767.

This day where sold at Publick Vendue to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Gysbert Merselis and John Van Alen the Hire of the several Docks of this City untill the first day of January next for the consideration of seventy pounds current money of New York, to be paid at or before the first day of January 1768. Provided that if any of the 28 Sloops belonging to this City should refuse and not come to either of the said Docks and so be free from paying Dockage that such and so many Sloops in such case shall be deducted out of the said £70 at the rate of one shilling a Tun.

This day was sold unto Dirick Hansen the Ferry leading from the City



of Albany to Green Bush for twenty-two pounds N. York currency for one year to begin from the 4th April 1767 to the 4th day of April 1768.

And also an Ordinance was this day published to regulate the Ferry between the limits of this City and Green Bush.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 21st day of April, 1767.

The Mayor produced a Rec<sup>t</sup> of James Bloodgood for £100 which he received of Cap<sup>t</sup> Cortland Schuyler, being the last payment which was due by said Cap<sup>t</sup> Schuyler to the Corporation for Ground sold by the Corporation to said Schuyler on the Gallows Hill. Ordered that Rec<sup>t</sup> be lodged in the Treasurers hands.

Whereas, lately a fire broke out in the manor of Rensselaerwyck and found it very inconvenient for want of Buckets, it is therefore resolved that all persons who bring their Buckets to the place where a fire should happen to break out and any of them get broke, burnt or lost in the fire shall be paid by the Corporation.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 22d day of April, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that there be sold at Publick Vendue on Saturday the second day of May next a Lot of Ground lying in this City to the south of the House & Lot of Ground of Alderman Jacob Van Schaick, being in front thirty-one feet and in rear eighteen feet and in length on both sides sixty feet, all English measure.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar make James Bloodgood Dr. for one hundred N. York currency which was paid by the Mayor to said Bloodgood for building the Barricks on the Hill back of the fort.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer give Cap<sup>t</sup> Cortland Schuyler credit for one hundred pound New York currency, being the last payment which was due by said Schuyler to the Corporation for the Land he bought on the Gallows Hill.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 25th April, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor in behalf of the Corporation sign a Deed to the Crown for the Ground where Kilbys store is erected, being bounded as follows, viz: to begin at the High way opposite the South side of the Dock called Kilby's Dock and streching from thence southerly along the High way as the Building now stands two hundred & two feet, the same length on the East side, and in breadth on both ends thirty-one feet English measure, and that the City Seal be affixed thereto.

This deed is recorded in Liber G. Pages 495, 496 & 497, 3<sup>d</sup> me, J. De Lancey.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 2d May, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Lot to the south of Ald<sup>n</sup> Van Schaick's be sold at Publick Vendue to the highest bidder and at a Quit Rent of four shillings yearly and every year for ever.

This day was sold at Publick Vendue to Gerrit Van Sante, Jur, the above lot for £273 New York currency.

Resolved that the Mayor on behalf of this Board sign a Deed to Gerrit Van Sante, Jun<sup>r</sup> for the Lot sold him this day and that the City Seal be affixed thereto.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Tho<sup>s</sup> Seeger for three Skipple of wheat.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 9th day of May, 1767.

Whereas it appeareth Yesterday to this Board that Adam Yates had Ground in his possession belonging to this Corporation and was beginning to build his House on it and he was requested to take and remove it, and in case he does not comply with said request,

Resolved by this Board that Alderman Peter Lansing and John Van Alen be appointed a Committe and request Adam Yates to remove his Building, and if he not complys with said request, order the Marshel to break down & remove y<sup>e</sup> same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 11th day of May, 1767.

The Committe appointed the 9th Ins<sup>r</sup> for to remove part of the Building of Adam Yates which is on the Ground belonging to this Corporation make report to this Board that they were hindered by Adam Yates and his sons.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor, Ald<sup>n</sup> Bogerd & Dirk B. V. Schoenhoven be appointed a Committe to consult and advice with Mr. Silvester about the removal of part of the House of Adam Yates.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 13th day May, 1767.

The following Ordinances were this day published :

A Law for the due observance of the Lords day called Sunday.

An Ordinance for selling of Flesh in the Markets.

A Law appointing, establishing and regulating a good and sufficient night watch in the City of Albany.

A Law for paving and cleaning the streets, lanes and alleys within the City of Albany and for preventing of Nuisances within the same.

An Ordinance for regulating the Carmen within the City of Albany.

A Law for regulating Negroes, Mulattoes and other slaves.

A Law appointing a sworn Surveyor.

An Ordinance for Tavern Keepers.

The above Ordinances to be in force until the 16th day of May, 1768.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the eight day of July, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Ordinance of selling meat be renewed.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seeger three Schipple of wheat.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer sell one hundred and fifty Schipple of the City wheat to the poor people at five shillings a Schipple.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the ninth day of August, 1767.

This Board agreed to appoint the Recorder, Aldermens Jacob Lansing,

Peter Lansing & Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates, & Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Van Alen and Gerrardus Lansing as a Committe to settle all the accounts against the Corporation.

This Board agreed with Francis Martain for to keep Benjamin Gable, the Publick Whipper, to begin from the fourth day of June last at five shillings a week.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar sell one hundred Schiple of the City wheat at five shillings  $\frac{3}{4}$  Schipple.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order in favour of Thomas Seeger for six Schipple of wheat.

Resolved by this Board that the Court draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of John Readtloff for three Schipple of wheat.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 12th day of August, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favor of Robert Lansing for £10:6:6, being for takeing care of the fire Ingoinis from the 23d June 1765 to the 24d June 1767, being two years.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of John Cortney two pounds being in part of payment for bringing stone to the Docks.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Friday the 18th day of Sep<sup>r</sup>, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Thomas Cannan for two pounds and six pence, being for boarding the whipper from the 20th of April to the 29th of May, at the rate of one shill<sup>s</sup>  $\frac{3}{4}$  day.

This day was delivered to this Board by the Treasurar a list of the undermentioned persons indebted to the Corporation for Quit Rent, viz :  
Johannis Knickerbacker, Janetje Ouderkerk, Christian Christianse, Peter Benneway, Daniel Van Antwerp, Dirck Van Vechte, Wouter Grooesbeek, Joh<sup>s</sup> N. Grooesbeek, Ephraim Wemp, Sybrant Quackenboss, Jacob A. Fort, Daniel T. Van Vechten, Frederick Cluct, Peter Dox, Harme & Tunis Van Vechte & Marte Winne, Joachim Kettlehuyn, Nicholas Grooesbeek, Philip Van Ness, Abram Becker and the widow of Daniel McMichael.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar writ to the above persons for to make speedy payment to prevent trouble.

This day was delivered to this Board by Adam Yates a Petition setting for to settele the Ground in dispute with him.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Johannis Pruyn for £176, being in part of payment for building the Dock by the stone wall.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Thomas Seger for six Schipple of wheat and charge the same to his Acc<sup>t</sup>.

Resolved by this Board that the Deed be given to William Regal for tha Ground which he bought of the Corporation some time agoe if he pays the sum of £176.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar sell one hundred Schiple of the City wheat for 5 shill<sup>s</sup>  $\frac{3}{4}$  Skipple.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 19th Sep<sup>r</sup>, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following persons, viz :

One Do. for John De Peyster for	- - -	£8:10: 0
One Do. for Jacob Van Schaick,	- - -	7: 0:11½
One Do. for Johannis Ouderkerk,	- - -	7:16: 0
One Do. for Wilhelmus Vandenberg,	- - -	13:18: 3
One Do. Gerrit Roseboom,	- - -	4: 0: 0

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Anthony Flensburg for six Schipple of wheat and charge the same to his Acc<sup>t</sup>.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 25th Sep<sup>r</sup>, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Ground in the Foxes Creek to the East of the lot of Peter Dewandelaer be laid out into 4 Lotts of thirty-seven feet front & rear in lenght on both sides 198 feet, except Lott No. 16 is 39 feet front and rear, and the length the same with y<sup>e</sup> other, be sold at Publick Vendue on Wednesday the 30th Sep<sup>r</sup> ins<sup>t</sup> and with a Quit Rent of six shillings on each Lot yearly and every year for ever.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 29th Sep<sup>r</sup>, 1767.

Whereas the Ordinance formerly made by the Mayor, Aldermen and Comonalty of this City for electing two Constables in each ward in this City is expired of its own limitation, it is hereby ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Comonalty of this City that on this day shall be chosen in each ward two Petty Constables, of which the Aldermen in each ward or any of them shall make their return with the rest of the City officers.

This day being presented to this Board a Petition of the Minister, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of this City of Albany for a peice of Ground lying in the Foxes Creek for to build a Church on, which this Board will grant upon such Conditions as hereafter shall be thought proper.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 29th Sep<sup>r</sup>, 1767, P. M.—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Peter Lansing, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Henry I. Bogerd, Jacob J. Lansing, Naning Visher, Gerardus Lansing, John Van Alen, John Fryer, Dirk B. V. Schoenhoven, John Ten Broeck.

This day being appointed by Charter for the election of Aldermen, Common Council & Constables, &c., the following is the order in which they were elected and returned.

First Ward—Peter Lansing and Henry I. Bogerd, Aldermen; John Van Alen & John Fryer, Common Council; Leonard Cortney & Will<sup>m</sup> McIntosh, Constables.

Second Ward—John R. Bleeker & Jacob Lansing, Aldermen; Naning Visher & John N. Bleecker, Common Council; Jacob Pruyn & Samuel Benneway, Constables.

Third Ward—Abraham Yates, J<sup>r</sup>, & Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, Aldermen; Dirk

B. V. Schoenhoven, & John Ten Broeck, Common Council ; George Bower & Sam<sup>l</sup> Williams, Constables.

Henry Bleecker appointed Chamberlain ; Johannes Seeger appointed Marshall ; Leonard Cortney appointed High Constable.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 30th Sep<sup>r</sup>, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the several Lots be sold at Publick Vendue this day according to the resolve made the 25th September, 1767, with a Quit rent of four shillings yearly and every year for ever on each Lot.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 12th Oct<sup>r</sup>, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Gerrardus Lansing for five pounds being for attending the work done at the new Barricks.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 14th day of October, 1767.

The following officers were this day sworn and quallified in their offices.

First Ward—Peter Lansing & Henry I. Bogerd, Aldermen ; John Van Alen, Common Council ; Van Olinda Cortney & Will<sup>m</sup> McIntosh, Constables.

Second Ward—Jacob J. Lansing, Alderman ; John N. Bleeker, Common Council ; Jacob Pruyn, Constable.

Third Ward—Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, & Abr<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, Aldermen ; Dirck B. V. Schoven, Common Council ; Sam<sup>l</sup> Williamson, Constable.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 25th day of November, 1767.

John R. Bleecker being this day sworn and qualified as one of the Aldermen of this City ; John Ten Broeck being sworn as one Common Council.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Henry V. Dyck for sixteen shillings for dressing the whippers leg.

The following persons being appointed Fire Masters for the year ensuing :

John E. Bradt & Barent Staats for the first ward.

Barent Ten Eyck & John I. Pruyn for the second ward.

Mas Blomendal & Gerrit V. Vranke for third ward.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the following persons :

One Do. to Baltus Van Benthuisen for - - - £0: 9:6

One Do. to John Ten Eyck, for - - - 16:18:6

One Do. to Peter Lansingh for - - - 5: 3:7

This Board agreed with Isaac a Negro to keep Benjamin Gable the Publick whipper from this date.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 26th day of November, 10 A. M., 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seeger for six Schipple wheat and charge the same to his Acc<sup>t</sup>.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 26th day of November, 1767, P. M.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar sell two hundred Schiple of the City wheat to such persons as he shall think fit for ready cash at five shillings  $\frac{3}{4}$  Schipple.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign the following Deeds, viz, and that the City Seal be thereunto affixed:

- One to Peter De Wandelaer for Lot No. 1.
- One to Peter Gansevort for Lot No. 2.
- One to Barent Ten Eyck for Lot No. 3.
- One to John Roseboom for Lot No. 4.
- One to Peter Hansen for Lot No. 5.
- One to Isaac Van Arnum for Lot No. 6 & 7.
- One to Paul Hogstroser for Lot No. 7 & 8.
- One to John Everse for Lot No. 9.
- One to Richard Hickson for Lot No. 10.
- One to Jillis De Garmon for Lot No. 15.
- One to John Roff for Lots No. 11 & 12.
- One to Henry Quackenboss for Lot No. 13.
- One to Jacob Lansingh for Lot No. 14.

Lot No. 7 belongs to Paul Hogstroser and Isaac Van Arnum according to the Release.

One to Paul Hogstroser for Lot No. 16.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Patrick Clarke for £45:11:6 for services done for the said City with his cart and horse.

One Do. to Francis Martin for £6:9 for boarding the Publick Whipper from the 4th June 1767 until the second day of November Ins<sup>d</sup>.

One Do. to Thomas Seeger for £5 New York money, being in part of payment for services done as Marshel for the last year.

This day was delivered by this Board to the City Treasurar an exact account of all persons that had any demands on this City for publick services done. Ordered by this Board that the Treasurar pay all those persons in full, always except John Price, William Hogan, Bastiaen Fisher & Rynier Van Alstyn; Price & Hogan you are to pay thirty pounds and the like sum to Visser & Van Alstyn.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 20th day of December, 1767.

The following persons were this day appointed Fire Masters:

Gerrit Ryckman & Henry Van Vechten for first ward.

Thomas D. Hun for third ward.

Cornelius Glen for second ward.

Naning Visser is sworn and qualified as Common Council.

Resolved by this Board that there be allowed unto Stephen De Lancey for attending as Clerk from the first day of June 1766 to the first day of June 1767, at the rate of sixteen pounds.

One Do. in favour of John Readliff for ringing the Bell from October 1766 to October 1767, at the rate of five pounds.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 31st December, 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Ground being in the second ward near the Foxes Creek be given unto the Minister, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Prodestant Dutch for to build a Church on, to contain in breadth on the East thirty feet and in length on the North side two hundred and fifty feet and in the rear on the West one hundred and thirty-five feet, all English measure; bounded on the North on the street that leads to the Foxes Creek of forty-five feet broad and on the West by an other street and on the South by a street of thirty feet broad, the length along said street 205 feet.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor in behalf of this Board sign a Deed for the same and the City Seal be affixed thereto, according to a Petition delivered to this Board the 29th Sep<sup>r</sup> 1767, Entred in the Minutes of Common Council.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Jacobus P. Van Benthuysen for one pound fifteen shillings.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar sell two hundred Schiple of the City wheat to the Inhabitants of this City at 5s.  $\frac{2}{3}$  Schipple.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 2d of January, 1768.

This Board being informed that Robert Leake has petitioned for vacant ground at Schatacock which this Board claims and a part of it is in possession of Barnardus Bratt, Resolved by this Board that a Letter be sent to Anthony Ten Eyck at New York to employ one or more Attorneys to defend the Right of this Corporation.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 12th day of February, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk give an order on the Treasurar in favour of Philip Reyley for five pounds for attending the Town Clock for the year 1767.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar settele with Isaac Fordt and deduct four pounds of his Rent.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 9th day of March, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurar in favour of the Accounts :

One in favour of James Marr for thirty shillings, one do. in favour of Volkert Dawson of eighteen shil<sup>l</sup>s & 5d, one Do. for Ab<sup>m</sup> Defrees for fourteen shil<sup>l</sup>s & 1d, one Do. for John Williams for eight shil<sup>l</sup>s, one Do. for Nicholas Brower for two pounds fifteen shillings.

Resolved by this Board that the four several Docks belonging to this Corporation be sold at Publick Vandue on Monday the 14th Ins<sup>r</sup>.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Tho<sup>s</sup> Seeger for twelve Schiple of wheat and charge the same to his Acc<sup>t</sup>. One Do. for John Readtliff for three Schiple of wheat and charge the same to his Acc<sup>t</sup>.

Resolved by this Board that the sum of forty shillings New York cur-

rency be paid to Henry B. Ten Eyck for services done for this Board and that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 14th March, 1768—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Peter Lansing, Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates, Ju<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Lansing, John N. Bleecker, Henry I. Bogerd, John Van Alen, John N. Bleecker, John Ten Brook, John Fryer and Naning Visher.

The four docks belonging to this City were sold at Publick Vendue to Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Ten Broek and Harmanus Wendell for the consideration of seventy pounds New York currency, from y<sup>e</sup> first day of January 1768 to the first of Jan<sup>y</sup> 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Ferry be sold on Tuesday the 22d of March Ins<sup>t</sup>.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 21st of March, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that Adam Yates Petition be answered in writing and that the Recorder, Alderman Ten Broock, Aldermen Bleecker, John Van Alen & John N. Bleecker be a Committee appointed and draw up an answer accordingly, which will be approved by this Board.

Resolved by this Board that the following Letter be sent to the Reverend Mr. Wheelock at Labanon :

Reverend Sir—Since the Letter which the Mayor did please to write you, our annul Election for the Aldermen and Assistants to serve in this Corporation haveing taken place and some othar adventitious Circumstances intervening have concurred to delay our answer to your favour of the 27th August last; these being now happily removed we embrace this oppertunity to answer your Letter. It gives us much pleasure to find that you think our proposals in several respects Inviteing and Generous; you will do justice to our Sentiments, if you also believe that we wish to have in our Power to do more, and if we would chearfully give every assistance that the projector and Patrons of this Scheme have a right to require from every person impressed (as we are) with its utility and Philanthropy. Your declining to fix on any particular place for the School without the previous knowledge and approbation of Lord Dartmouth and the other worthy Persons that have countenanced the plan and promoted its success at home by procuring such considerable Donations for its establishment, gives us at once a strikeing instance of your Modesty, and a high idea of your Prudence in paying such strict attention to avoid every Step that might tend to Prejudice this Institution, which in its progress may do honor to the Age in which it has taken rise and reflect lustre on you as the first promoter. Permit us to thank you Sir, for haveing transmitted home Copys of our Letters and of those that were written you on this Subject from New York; the Gentlemen that did us the honor to write them are all of distinguished Characters, eminent for cherishing and cultivating the Social Virtues, their Circumstances and Situation in Life such as sets them above the Suspicion of sinister or selfish views, and the many oppertunitys they have had of being acquainted with our moral Character from the frequent Interviews with us which their profession necessarily engages them in constitutes them very competent Judges of it. Can it then be reasonable to suppose that Gentlemen of such as they are, should



so far forget the duty they owe to themselves and to Society as warmly to recommend the fixing of a Seminary in which it will be necessary to inculcate virtue and morallity as much if not more by Example then Precept, in the midst of a People of a reputed immoral Character, such a Supposition would be altogether absurd and we should be justified in on resting their Recommendation only as a sufficient undication of our Character against the uncharitable and unjust Anamadversions of designing men, but duty and the Justice we owe to our Constituents oblige us to declare that the present Majestracey of this Place in pursuit of the principals laid down by their predecessors make it the first object of their attention to inspire their Constituents with the Love of Virtue and the abhorrence of Vice; to this end they discourage whatever may tend to corrupt the manners or debauch the morals of the people, whilst at the same time Encouragement is given to every Plan cultivated for their happiness. Actuated by these principals we readily embraced yours and rejoiced in the fair prospect that such an Establishment amongst us promised additional oppertunitys of advancing the Education of our youth, all what we ardently wish, and therefore what we could give we offer with the utmost good will, if our good Intentions already are or should be prustrated by the selfish views of designing persons we shall be equally sorry on our own account as on theirs whom they deceive. Having been already explicit in our former Letters on the advantages that the School would reap by being in the vicinity of the City we shall be silent on that head and make only remark to obviate the difficulty you mention on account of a supposed want of oppertunitys to instruct the Indian Children in Agriculture and the manuel Arts that the immediate Environs of this City are inhabited by farmers whom if we may be allowed to judge of their skill, Industry and Oeconomy from the affluance of their Circumstances acquired only by Husbandry, we shall not hesitate to rank them in the first class of husbandmen and as these Children will not require to be taught any other manual arts then such as will serve towards procureing the immediate necessarys and more simple conveniencies of life, these too may both be obtained in this City.

We could have wished that your son and the Reverend Mr. Pomory had communicated to us the Intention of their Journey when they were here at the time you mention, they would have had no reason to complain of any coldness in us nor indeed can we be charged with any, as we do not know that those Gentlemen ever were here otherwise than by your Letter.

We thank you Sir for those sentiments of good will that you express to entertain for us; we hope you will have no occasion to change them, and we should be happy to have you in this Neighborhood that you might experience repeated instances of our's towards you.

We have read your published account of the School since its beginning, it has confirmed our opinion that your whole Conduct has been with a view to promote religion and the happiness of mankind; may God in whose holy worship you are attempting to instruct the uninformed Savages crown all your endeavors with success and give you to see the accomplishment of your good work, and when it shall please him as the Supreme disposer of all things may you depart hence in his peace.

We are Reverend Sir, &c.

Att a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on 22d March, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the Ordinance regulating the Ferry be renewed with the following addition :

And be it further ordained by the authority aforesaid that the Person or Persons who buy the Ferry is strictly enjoyed to follow the ordinance made for the regulation of the same, and upon Complaint made to the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Commonalty of the non performance of the ferryman of the Rules by this ordinance laid down, that it shall and may be Lawfull to remove the said Ferryman, he paying for the time he has had the Ferry, and in such case or default to dispose of the same to another person.

This day was sold at Publick Vendue the Ferry leading from this City to Green Bush for the Consideration of thirty five pounds New York currency to John Cortney and John Bromley to commence from the fourth day of April next to the fourth day of April 1769, being one year.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 23d day of March, 1768.

The Committee appointed to examine into the Petition of Adam Yates, presented to the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty the 14 March, 1768, Report as follows : That upon mature deliberation they find the Corporation has faithfully and impartially discharged the trust reposed in them, that the Petitioner has been in due time warned of his encroaching on City ground, that the Corporation did candidly offer to leave the decision of this matter to indifferent Persons to be for that purpose appointed, that upon the whole it appears to this Committe that the Petitioner has no just reason to complain of the remissness of the Corporation but that this matter not being brought to a conclusion is justly to be imputed to the obstinacy of the said Petitioner, but that this matter may be judiciously decided & remove all doubts of the justness & uprightness of the Corporations intentions, this Committee report it as their opinion that a person of known integrity, ability & judgment be named by the Corporation and one person of the like qualifications by the Petitioner, & that the matter in dispute be left to their final determination; but should it so happen that these two persons differ in opinion that they be at liberty to agree on a person to join them & that then & in such case the determination of two of the three be conclusive, all which is nevertheless humbly submitted. Albany, 23d March, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the foregoing report made by the Committee appointed the 21st day of March Ins<sup>e</sup> is approved of by this Board and that Adam Yates be served with a Copy hereof by the Clerk.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign a deed and that the City Seal be affixed thereto unto Gerrit T. Visher for the Consideration of three pounds New York for a Lot of Ground scituate, lying and being in the third ward of this City on the north side of the Foxes Creek, bounded on the north by the Foxes street that runs to the north of this Lot and to the south of the House of Libitie Greveraat and others, and on the south by the Lot of Tunis Visher and Harma Visher and partly by the Lot of Abr<sup>m</sup> I. Witbeck and is in breadth there by the said Lots sixty foot and on the north by the said street forty-three foot, all wood measure.

Resolved by this Board that the street leading from this City to Water Fleet running westward between and with the Range of the houses of Gerrit Van Vranken and Elbert Greverat being thirty foot to the street that runs from the Pearl street north & shall from henceforth be called Amelia street and shall be and for ever remain a Publick street for all his Majesties subjects.

Present, John H. Ten Eyck, Esquire, Recorder, John R. Bleecker, Peter Lansingh, Jacob Lansing, Henry I. Bogerd, Abraham Ten Broock, Esq<sup>rs</sup> Aldermen; John Van Alen, Naning Visher, John N. Bleecker, John Fryer, Dirck B. V. Schoonhoven, John Ten Broock, Assistants; being the 23d March, 1768, in the Common Council.

Mr. Mayor addressed himself to the Board in the manner following, that he looked upon himself to be highly affronted by Mr. Abraham Yates, Junier, the 21st Instant, that he humbly desired the Gentlemen present to do Justice to his injured Character; if Mr. Yates should appear to have charged him wrongfully he hopes the Gentlemen will do him the Justice to have the same entred on the minutes of Common Council, and if they find culpable that they will do the same.

Upon which Mr. Mayor and Mr. Yates were desired to withdraw, and after a considerable time conversing on the subject matter in dispute the Gentlemen whose names are hereabove in the margin inserted were unanimously of opinion that Mr. Yates has not only highly reflected on the Conduct of Mr. Mayor but has also unjustly charged the whole Corporation as partially against his Brother Adam Yates, the Gentlemen as above said are of opinion that Mr. Mayor has acted Justly and Impartially in the dispute with the said Adam Yates.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 25th March, 1768.

This day came to this Board Anas Hammer and James Lumbos, being a Committee appointed in the Township of Leansbury as they informed this Board to agree about makeing the Road from the Township of Lansbury to this City.

Resolved by this Board that the sum of forty pounds New York currency be paid unto the said Comittee, Provided the said Road be made in good order for all Carriages to pass and repass from the Township aforesaid to the old Saw mill called the Schotack mill by the first day of December next, and farther the Corporation will let them make the Road from the mill to this City provided they can agree.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on first of April, 1768.

A Petition being presented to this Board is as follows :

To the Worshipfull Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany, in Common Council, the Petition of Sam<sup>l</sup> Stringer Humbly sheweth,

That on Mr. Bleeckers measuring the Lot lately granted by the Corporation to Samuel Stringer, situated between the Fort and Hospital and adjoining to the English Burying place, there appeared to be still vacant about eleven feet on the east side of s<sup>d</sup> Lot between it and the street laid out parallel to it.

Your Petitioner therefore being greatly pinched in Ground to erect the intended Building on, which building the workman are now actually employed in and by Contract is to be finished by the 24th of June next, prays that the said eleven feet or as many as shall be found vacant may be included in the afore<sup>d</sup> Grant and confirmed to him without any additional Quit rent, as that is supposed to be already greater in Proportion than is paid for any Lot besides in the City and the Building being for a Publick use and in no wise lucrative to those concerned.

Your Petitioner further prays, that as the time in which the aforesaid building is to be finished is limited, it may be taken as soon as possible into consideration, and he will for ever pray. SAM'L STRINGER.

Resolved by this Board that there shall be granted to the said Samuel Stringer six feet along the East part of the said Lott heretofore granted to him and to contain the seventy feet in length northerly along his said Lott and that the Mayor sign his hand for that purpose under the former deed where this addition is to be inserted.

Adam Yates delivered to this Board a memorial in answer to the Resolve made the 23 March last. Resolved by this Board that the same be taken in consideration.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the second day of April, 1768.

This Board on the Consideration of Adam Yates Memorial of the 29th March, 1768, have come to the following Resolution, that they cannot recede but still remain of the same opinion they were the 23d March last of submitting the matter in dispute to persons to be appointed as is therein at large expres'd.

Ordered that the Clerk serve Adam Yates with a Copy of this Resolution.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the sixth day of April, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that a Letter be sent unto Johannis Knickerbacker for to come down by next Monday at two o'clock in the afternoon of some business of this Board about a deed that was given unto Nicholas Groosbeeck for some Land lying at Schaetacook, and also about the Land lying near Mason Gat.

This day came to this Board Adam Yates and excepted of the Proposals made him by this Board the 23d of March last.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 15th of April, 1768.

Mr. Adam Yates haveing appointed Mr. John Beekman an Arbitrator in the Controversy subsisting between him and this Board, this Board informed him that they had appointed Harmanus Wendell, and as both parties had spoke to Coll<sup>r</sup> Philip Schuyler it is agreed by both parties that Mr. Schuyler be the third person if he can be prevailed on to accept.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 25th of April, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar sell one hundred Schiple of the City wheat at five shillings a Schiple to the Inhabitants of this City & no more than three Shiple to one man.

Mr. Schuyler with Mr. Wendell and Beekman this day before this Board & in the presence of Adam Yates accepted to serve as Arbitrators in the dispute with the said Yates and this Board and desired that they may be under Oath. Resolved that a proper Bond be drawn submitting the said Controversy to the Determination of the said three Gentlemen.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 26th day of April, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign the Bond to submit the dispute between this Board and Mr. Adam Yates to the Arbitrators that are to settle the same, to wit, Mr. Philip Schuyler, Harmanus Wendell and John Beekman, and that the City seal be thereto affixed. Also Resolved that Volkert P. Douw, John H. Ten Eyck, John R. Bleecker, Henry I. Bogert and Abraham Ten Broeck be a Committee to manage on the part of the Corporation, the said Controversy before the said Gentlemen Arbitrators.

The following Letter came this day to the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Commonalty, from the Reverend Mr. Eleazar Wheelock :

Lebanon, 8th April, 1768.

W:pful and hon<sup>d</sup> Sirs—Yours of March 9th came safe to hand two days ago, in which I observe and gratefully acknowledge the unmerited expressions of your benevolence and respect towards me and your truly generous disposition towards this rising Institution. I am sorry that my unguarded manner of expressing myself in a former Letter respecting the objection so often made against fixing my school in the vicinity of your City (viz, the bad morals of the place) was received in any other light than was simply and honestly intended: my design was only to advice you, that such an objection had been frequently and strongly urged, and to give you an opportunity to obviate the same's being further improved to the disadvantage of the design proposed. I had not the least intention or disposition to reflect upon your City, or so much as express my own sentiments respecting that matter; however the careless and unguarded manner of my expression, naturally lead you to conceive, that which was very different from that entire friendship which wholly governed me in that matter, and which was so far from my intention that I never had a tho't or the least jealousy of my being so understood, till I was informed of it by my Son, and since more fully by Mr. Smith of New York. However I hope that matter is now set right, and that you will candidly ascribe it to that crow'd of affairs, which obliges me, relying upon the goodness of those to whom I write, often to dismiss even Letters of importance, without such a review as I should otherwise think expedient.

I shall take the earliest opportunity to transmit your Letters to the Earl of Dartmouth, &c., and also Cap' Lansing's generous proposal at Stoneroby.

It gives me sensible pleasure, Gentlemen, that your sentiments are the same with mine as to the expediency and propriety of proceeding only with the advice and approbation of the Earl of Dartmouth, and the other worthy Gentlemen of the Trust at home respecting the place to fix this school.

I am informed that some overtures are making to invite the settlement of this school in the Province of New Hampshire near Coos.

And by a Letter from home I understand that Gen' Lyman is using his endeavours to have it carried into his Government on the Ohio.

I have also lately heard that a new plan is forming to detain it in this Government. What these proposals will ripen to, I cannot say; and how Gentlemen at home will have light to satisfy them, or what expedient they will think proper to obtain light sufficient to act understandingly and safely in determining the important point, I cant tell. I desire to do all on my part to be done, and submit it to and wait upon the great Governor and disposer of all events to direct and determine the same according to his own holy and righteous will.

You may assure yourselves that the testimonials you have given me of your friendship are not the least among the many circumstances which would render the prospect of such a situation agreeable to me; as I am with much respect,

Gentlemen, your most obedient

and very humble Servant,

ELEAZOR WHEELLOCK.

The W:pful the Mayor & Ald<sup>n</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> City of Albany.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday thè 17th day of June, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following :

One Do. in favour of Hend<sup>k</sup> Van Dyck for four Gall<sup>s</sup> of Wine at 16s. 7<sup>½</sup> Gall<sup>n</sup> at Kings Birth day, £3:4.

One Do. in favour of Francis Martin for necessaries provided at Kings Birthday, £2:5.

One Do. in favour of Richard Cartwright for £11:19 for necessaries provided for this Board.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Anthony Flensburg for three Schipple of wheat and charge the same to his Account.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order for the Treasurer to sell one hundred Schiple of the City wheat.

The following Ordinances were this day published and renewed :

A Law for the due observance of the Lords day called Sunday.

An ordinance for selling Flesh in the Market.

A law appointing, establishing and regulating a good and sufficient watch in this City.

A law for paveing and cleaning the streets, lanes and alleys within the City of Albany and for preventing nuisances within the same.

An ordinance for regulating the Carmen.

A law for regulating Negroes, Mulattoes and other Slaves.

A law to appoint a sworn Surveyor for this City.

An ordinance for selling of meat by weight and at the prizes following :

All kinds of meat at 4d 7<sup>½</sup> pound.

Every head & pluck of a Calf, 1s. 6d.

Every head & pluck of a Sheep, 9d.

Every head & pluck of a Lamb, 6d.

An ordinance to regulate Tavern Keepers.

An ordinance for the better preventing extinguishing of Fires that may happen within this City of Albany.

A law for marking Bread in this City.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 20th day of June, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Rob<sup>l</sup> Yates, Esq<sup>r</sup>, a Surveyor & drawing several copy's concerning the dispute with Adam Yates, for the sum of £5:5:6.

The arbitrators brought in the following award the 1st June, 1768 :

We do award, arbitrate and determine by these presents that, First, that a line be drawn from the north east Corner of the House of Wilhelmus Van den Bergh westerly along his House and Fence twenty-two Rods to a stake by us drove in the Ground, that from thence a line is to be drawn still westerly to a stake drove in the Ground at the Cellar of Adam Yates, distant from the north east Corner of the said Cellar along the easterly front thereof seven feet two inches and a half, that then a line is to be drawn from the said stake last mentioned to a stake by us affixed in the rear of the Lot of the said Adam Yates, which last mentioned stake is distant from the north west Corner of the said Lot one rod seven foot and three inches, all Ryland Measure ; and we do award, arbitrate and determine that the Ground lying to the north and next adjoining to the last mentioned line the property thereof is vested in the Corporation of the City of Albany, and that Ground lying to the south and next adjoining the said last mentioned line the property thereof is vested in the said Adam Yates ; and we the said Arbitrators do also award, order and determine that the said parties in difference within twenty days from the date hereof shall execute each to the other General Releases in writing of the premises agreeable to the award by us as above made.

Ph: Schuyler, Harm<sup>s</sup> Wendell, Joh<sup>s</sup> Beekman.

Memorandum, that in order to determine and ascertain the Bounds of the Lands in Controversy we have fixed on a point in the front of the Shed adjoining to the House of Wessel Van Schaick at five feet nine inches distant from the north east Corner of said House, from whence we began to survey.

The above award was sworn to by the Arbitrators above mentioned before me the above date. ISAAC SWITS, Justice.

Resolved by this Board that a Deed be given unto Adam Yates and that the City seal be affixed thereto according to the award made by the said arbitrators the 1st June, 1768. The Mayor in behalf of this Board acknowledged the Seal of the City affixed to the said deed given to Adam Yates in presence of Francis Martin & Paul Hogstroser.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 30th June, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer collect in all the City debts in a month from this day and that the Clerk give an order for the same.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seeger for six Schipple of wheat and the same be charged to his Account.

The following Petition being presented to this Board :

To the Worshipful the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany, the Petition of the Subscribers  
Most humbly sheweth,

That your Petitioners being inclined to have Lotts the East of the Lott of Jacob H. Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, on the Gallows Hill.

Your Petitioners therefore beg that your Worships will grant them the said Lotts on such Conditions as your Worships shall think most reasonably. And your Petitioners as in duty bound shall ever pray. Gysbert Marselis, Hendrick Marselis, Martin Mynderse, Abraham Mynderse.

The above Petition being presented to this Board it is Resolved that a number of Acres and House lotts be surveyed on Saturday next by John R. Bleecker, Esq<sup>r</sup>, and that the same be sold at publick Vendue on the Wednesday following, and that the Clerk advertise the same.

Resolved that Abraham E. Wandel remove his fence from where it now stands, upon the line settled between him and the Corporation in two months from this date and that he be served with a Copy of the same.

Resolved that John Foster, David Rottery, John McKinsey and John McDonald pay at the rate of twenty-four shillings a year for the Lotts now in their possession, to commence from the first day of May last, to continue for twenty-one years. It is also further Resolved that if any of the above persons shall keep a bad house or sell Liquor to Negroes, upon proof they shall forfeit their Lotts.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 5 July, 1768.

Mr. Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broock in behalf of the following persons produced the following Accounts which he disbursed for this Board :

One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Jacob Van Woert,	- -	£2: 2:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of John Waters for	- -	2: 4:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Will <sup>m</sup> Vosburgh for	- -	1: 2:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Isaac Vosburgh for	- -	2:10:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Henry Crannels for	- -	0:18:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of John Norton for	- -	0:18:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of W <sup>m</sup> V. denbergh for	- -	0:14:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Johannis Smith for	- -	1: 2:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Wilhelmus Smith for	- -	1: 8:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Henry Daniels for	- -	2: 6:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Abraham Ten Broock,	- -	0: 9:6

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Abraham Ten Broock to pay the Account of £15:13:6 in full.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor, Aldermen Bleecker and Ten Broock be appointed a Committee to go and view the road which was agreed to be made by the Corporation and the Committee appointed for the Township of Lansbury according to the Resolve made the 25th March, 1768. Also farther Resolved by this Board that the Committee appointed agree and get the Road made from the old Saw mill to this City.

Resolved by this Board that the several Lots of Ground be sold at publick Vendue according to the Resolution made the 30th June last, with a Quit Rent for each Acre Lot the sum of twenty shillings, and for every house Lot the sum of eight shillings.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 8th July, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Eanos Hammer and Ebenezer Loomis for thirty pounds New York currency, being in part of payment for making the Road from the Township of Lansbury to old Schootack mill.



One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Isaac a Negro to keep Benjamin Gable the publick whipper at the rate of six shillings  $\frac{3}{4}$  week from the 25th November to the 28th March last, £2:8.

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Wilhelmus Monsious for riding 23 loads of Ground for the dock at 6d each Load, £11:6:0.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 11th July, 1768.

A Petition of the Minister, Church Wardens and Vestry of St. Peters Church in the said City being presented to this Board which is in the following manner :

To the Worshipfull Mayor, Recorder and Commonalty of the City of Albany in Common Council convened, the Petition of the Minister, Church Wardens and Vestry of St. Peters Church in the City,  
Humbly Sheweth,

That your Petitioners intend when their Circumstances will permit, to erect a Parsonage House for their Minister, and would willingly in season secure as proper and commodious a Scituation for that purpose as they can, and if possible of such an extent and bigness as to afford a small spot for a Glebe, and having fixed in their own minds upon a piece of Ground belonging to this Board that in some measure may be answerable for the intended design, being the vacancy scituated between the Free Masons building and the street leading down past the Hospital, in rear adjoining to the Burial place of the said Church. May it therefore please the Gentlemen of this Board to grant unto your Petitioners the said piece of Ground for the use aforesaid. And your Petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray, &c. Harry Monro, Min<sup>r</sup>; Christopher Hegerman, Daniel Hewson, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Barckley, Will<sup>m</sup> Benson, Cornelius Cadmus, Isaac Fryer.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 5th August, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that John Van Alen, John N. Bleecker, Naning Visher & John Ten Broock be appointed a Committee to go and view the road which was agreed to be made by this Corporation and the Committee for the Township of Lansbury.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar settle with Comfort SeEVERS and John Roff, & if they do not pay the money that he secure the debt by taking a mortgage for the Corporation.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 12th of August, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Ebenezer Lomis and Noah Kent for £7:9:3 New York currency, being for laying out a new Road, marking the trees and drawing the Chain from the old Schotack mill to the City of Albany.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 6th day of Sep<sup>r</sup>, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the following Accounts be allowed and that the Clerk give orders on the Treasurar to pay the same :

One in favour of Wilhelmus Vandenberg, - - -	£1:13:0
One D <sup>o</sup> for Hendrick Van Arnum, - - -	1: 0:0
One D <sup>o</sup> for Andrew Abeels, - - -	1: 9:0
One D <sup>o</sup> for Robert Lansing, - - -	5: 4:0

£8:17:0

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar sell all the City wheat at 4s. 6d  $\frac{3}{4}$  Schipple.

Resolved by this Board that Henry I. Bogert, John R. Bleecker, Abraham Ten Broock and John N. Bleecker be appointed a Committee to settle the dispute between this Corporation and Abraham E. Wendell, and that they with Mr. Wendell appoint a Surveyor.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Anthony Flensbergh for three Schipple of wheat and charge the same to his Account.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 12th day of September, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor execute the following deeds to the following Persons in behalf of the Corporation, viz: to Barent Bratt, Jellis De Garmo, David & John Groesbeek, Harmon Hun & Isaac Lansing, Rutger Bleecker, Abraham Lansingh, Adam Yates, Rutger Bleecker, Cathalina Groesbeek, Johannis Pruyn, Peter Bogert, William Rogers, Volkert Vandenberg, Daniel Winne, Jacobus Bleecker, Wouter Knickerbacker, Hendrick Quackenboss & Maria Hansen, for Grounds lying on the south side of Foxes Creek and that the City Seal be affixed thereto.

Resolved by this Board that the above Persons shall hold their Tan Pitts now in their Possession lying in Foxes Creek untill such time they shall become useless.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Stephen Van Schaack, John Price and William Hogen for the sum of £260 New York Currency, being for cutting the timber & making the dock down by the City Hall, first deducting the several Payments already made.

Resolved by this Board that a deed be given unto Jonathan Brook for Ground lying to the west of his house for the Consideration of New York currency, and that the Mayor sign the same in behalf of this Board & that the City seal be affixed thereto.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of John Readtliif for 3 Schipple of wheat & charge the same to his Acc<sup>t</sup>.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 22d day of September, 1768.

Whereas certain Lands by deed in the County of Albany at a place called Ticonderoga on the Mohawk River was by the native Indians of the Mohawk Castle granted to this Corporation the day of 17 ; And whereas the said deed was on the day of 17 destroyed by means of Governor Cosby, & this Board being informed that some person or persons are about obtaining a deed or Grant of the said Lands ; Resolved by this Board that the Mayor, Recorder & Aldermen Bleecker & Ten Broock are hereby appointed a Committee to examine into the merits &

destruction of the above mentioned deed in order to perpetuate the Evidence respecting the same, and that they employ William Smith, Esquire, William Livingston and John Morine Scott, Esq<sup>r</sup>, as Council.

Resolved by this Board that the following accounts be allowed and that the Clerk give orders on the Treasurer for the same.

One in favour of Simon Solomon for £1:5:0.

Resolved by this Board that John Ten Broock, John N. Bleeker are appoint a Committee to agree with the Tanners in Foxes Creek for the Ground lying between their Lotts and a street lying to the south of the said Lotts and that they deliver the deeds when agreed.

Resolved by this Board that there is wanted four persons to keep the night watch of this City.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seeger for three Schipple of wheat and charge the same to his Account.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 29th Sep<sup>r</sup>, 1768—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Peter Lansingh, Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jur, Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Brook, Henry I. Bogert, John N. Bleecker, John Van Alen, Dirk B. V. Schoonhoven, John Fryer, John Ten Broock, Naning Visgher.

This being the day appointed by Charter for electing of Aldermen, Common Council and Constables, &c<sup>n</sup>, for the City of Albany, the following is the order in which they were elected and returned, &c<sup>n</sup>.

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Henry Bleecker, Jun<sup>r</sup> appointed City Chamberlain, Joh<sup>s</sup> Seeger appointed Marsell, W<sup>m</sup> Regle appointed High Constable.

Alderman Bogert moves to have a Secretary on the Pole returned this day. Resolved by this Board that the same be held on Monday the third day of Oct<sup>r</sup> next, and that Mr. Rooreback be served with a Copy hereof.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Hend<sup>b</sup> Van Ness for £0:12:0.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 14th day of October, 1768.

The following officers were this day sworn and qualified in their several offices:

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At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 27th Oct, 1768.

John R. Bleecker being sworn as an Alderman for the City, John Fryer, and John G. Lansing as Assistants.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor execute a Lease unto Anthony D. Bratt for the Term of ten years next ensuing for the House and Lot of Ground lying and being at the Verrebergh and that the City seal be affixed to the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 11th day of November, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk give an Order to the Treasurer to let Garrit Van Sante and Anthony Flensburgh have each six Skipple of wheat, and three Schipple of wheat for Thomas Seeger.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Readtloff for five pounds, being for the last years service as Bell man for this City.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign a deed & that the City seal be affixed to the same, to Nicholas Grooesbeeck for sixty acres of Land scituate, lying and being at Schatecoock with a Quit Rent of eight Schipple of wheat & free cutting of wood for y<sup>e</sup> use of this City.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday 14th day of November, 1768.

This day being presented to this Board a Copy of a Petition of the Patroon Step Van Rensselaer of the Mannor of Rensselaerwyck, which is in the following manner, and also an Order of the Council for the Province of N. York.

To his Excellency Sir Henry Moore, Bar, Captain General and Governor in Chief of the Province of New York and Territories thereon depending in America, Vice Admiral of the same, &c<sup>ana</sup>. The Petition of Stephen Van Rensselaer of the Manor of Rensselaerwyck in the County of Albany,

Most Humbly Sheweth,

That your Petitioner is the present Proprietor of all that part of the Colony or Manor of Rensselaerwyck extending from the south end of Beeren Island to the Cohoos and extending from Hudsons River on each side twenty-four miles.

That your Petitioner was till lately of opinion that by Grant from the Crown for the said Manor he had an undouted right to all Ferry's within the same, but that he is now advised by his Council learned in the Law, that disputes might arise thereon, That for the greater convenience of Travellers in that part of the Province, where the settlement are daily increasing, it would be good if regular Ferry's were established across the said River in different parts of the said Manor, That your Petitioner is willing to set up and maintain as many Ferry's as will be requisite, if the Government will give him sufficient encouragement by a Grant of the exclusive Right of Ferry's to him, his heirs & assigns, across the said River from Beeren Island to the Cohoos, with and establishment of a reasonable allowance for the Transportation of Passengers, Horses, Cattle & Goods.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly Prays that Letters Patent may issue under the Great seal of the Province granting to him, his heirs and assigns

an exclusive Right of Ferriage within the Limits aforesaid, and that such reasonable Rates of Ferriage may thereby be established as may be convenient to the Publick and an encouragement to your Petitioner, his heirs and assigns to set up and maintain so many Ferry's may be requisite for the purposes above mentioned, a Schedule of which Rates is hereunto annexed. And your Petitioner as in Duty bound will ever Pray.

S. V. RENSSELAER.

For every Person,	3d	For every Sythe & Sith,	½
For every Horse or Beast,	6	For every firken of Soap,	1
For every live Calf or Hog,	2	For every Cheese,	½
For every live Sheep or Lamb,	1½	For every Corn fan,	1½
For every dead Hog,	1½	For every hundred shingles,	3
For every dead Sheep, Lamb or Calf,	1	For every common Bag of Cotton Wool,	½
For every Barr' Rum, Sugar, Molass', or other full Barrell,	4	For every Bale of Cotton Wool or Hops,	9
For every empty Barrel,	1½	For every Coach,	3s.
For every empty Pipe or Hhd,	4½	For every Chaise, Chair or Carriage,	1:6
For every Beasts Hide,	1½	For every double Sleigh,	9
For every undressed Calf, Sheep or Deer skin,	½	For every peice of Ozenbrigs,	1
For every firkin or tub of Butter,	1	For every peice of Cotten Penniston, Flannell or Frize,	2
For every Bush' Salt, Wheat, Grain, Seed, or any other thing meas' & sold by the Bushel,	½	For every peice of Blankets or Duffels,	6
For every full Pipe or full Hh',	2s.	For every peice of Broadcloth, Kersey, strouds, half thick & Druggets,	1½
For every inch Board,	¾	For every peice Duroys, Colimancoes, Wallons or other stuff and for every peice of Garlick, Holland or other Linnen,	4½
For every Board one inch & half,	1	For every empty Firken or Pail,	½
For every Waggon,	2:6	For every side of Sole Leather,	1
For every pair of Cart Wheels,	9	For every side of upper Leather,	½
For every Cupboard, Press for Cloth, or writing desk,	1:6	For every hundred weight of Beaver, Racons skins or coats, and so in proportion for a greater or lesser weight,	4½
For every full Trunk or Chest,	6	For every half dozen Hatts,	1
For every empty Trunk or Chest,	4½	For every hundred weight of dying wood & in proportion for a greater or lesser weight,	4
For half Barr' Flour,	1½	For every hundred weight of Copperas, Allom or Brimstone & so in proportion for a greater or less quantity.	3
For every Barr' Bread,	3	For every Chair,	½
For every Bag of Bread,	1	For every dozen pair of wool Cards,	1
For every Gammon of Bacon, Turkey or Goose,	½	For every Saddle without a horse,	1
For every hundred of Eggs four Eggs and so in proportion to a greater or lessor number.		For every Rugg,	½
For every dunghill fowl, Brant, Duck, heathen or Rabbit,	½		
For every dozen Pigeons or Quails,	½		
For every hundred weight of Iron, Still, Shot, Pewter or Lead and of Iron, Copper or Brass Kettles or Potts,	3		
For every hundred weight of Gun Powder,	6		

For every Gun,	‡	For every hundred weight of Rice	
For every Spade,	‡	and so in proportion for a greater	
For every Case with Bottles,	2	or lesser quantity,	2
For every Looking Glass of two		For every warming Pan,	‡
feet high and upwards,	2	For every frying Pan,	‡
For every Looking Glass of one			
foot high,	1		

New York, Secretary's office, 1st November, 1768. The foregoing written is a true Copy of the original now on file in this office.

Ex<sup>d</sup> by

G. BANYER, D. Secr'y.

At a Council held at Fort George in the City of New York on Monday the second day of May, 1768—Present, His Excellency Sir Henry Moore, Bar<sup>t</sup>, Captain General, &ca, Mr. Watts, Mr. De Lancey, Mr. Reade, Mr. Morris, Mr. Smith, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Cruger.

The Petition of Stephen Van Renselaer of the Manor of Renslaerswyck in the County of Albany was presented to the Board and read. On reading whereof it is ordered by his Excellency the Governor with the advice of the Council that the Petitioner do serve a Copy of his said Petition and of the Rates of Ferriage thereunto annexed, on the Corporation of the City of Albany and that the said Corporation if they have any objection to the grant of the Prayer of the said Petition be heard thereupon before this Board on Tuesday the eighth day of November next.

A true Copy, Ex<sup>d</sup> by

G. BANYER, D. Se. Con.

Resolved by this Board that a Letter be sent unto Mess<sup>rs</sup> Jacob H. Ten Eyck & Philip Schuyler, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, at New York for to imploy Council in this affair and take such necessarie steps as shall be most safe for this Corporation.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign a deed of Release to Joh<sup>s</sup> Douw of all manner of actions that may be brought against him by this Board relating to the Verrebergh.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 15th day of Nov<sup>r</sup>, 1768.●

This day this Board agreed with Stephen Van Renselaer, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Lord of the Manor of Renselaerswyck about the Ferriages.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign the agreement made with the Patroon, Stephen Van Renselaer, and that the City Seal be affixed to the same in behalf with the Corporation and that the said agreement be delivered to the City Treasurer to be taken care of.



City Seal.

Articles of agreement indented and made on the fifteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord 1768, between the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany of the one part and Stephen Van Renselaer, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Lord of the Manor of Renselaerswyck in the County of Albany, as follows, viz :

Imprimus, That the said Stephen Van Renselaer for himself and his heirs in consideration of the sum of five shillings current money of New York doth covenant, grant and agree to and with the said Mayor, Alder-



men and Commonalty, their successors and assigns, that he the said Stephen Van Renselaer shall and will within three months after the date of Letters Patent heretofore granted or hereafter to be granted by the Crown under the Great Seal of the Province of New York or by the Governor of New York for the exclusive Right of all Ferriages in Hudsons River in the County of Albany from Bears Island to the Cohoes or any part thereof by such Conveyances, Ways and Means in the Law as they or their Successors Council shall reasonably advise well and sufficiently grant and convey, transfer and assure to the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty, their successors and assigns, to the exclusive right to all Ferriage and Ferriages and Liberty of landing, passing and re-passing from the mouth of a certain Creek commonly known by the name of De Vysele Kill southward to the House lately belonging to Hutchin Holland on the south of the City limits and now in the possession of Mr. Henry Van Schaack, being about two miles & from the place on the East side of the River where Philip Carner the Pot baker now lives down the River to the house where the Widow Rebecca Lommus now lives together with one acre of Ground to be taken by said Corporation or their Successors in such Position as the Corporation shall think most convenient to them, joining to and on the north Bounds of John Van Renselaer, except the Priviledge of Landing with the Ferry Boat, or any part of the west side of River above north east Corner of the Land lately belonging to Jacob Tuenisse Van Woert, now in the Possession of Jacob Van Woert, Junr, except also that the said Van Renselaer shall be at Liberty to ferry in his Craft all things belonging to him and his heirs. And the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty do also in consideration of the sum of ten shillings current money aforesaid, covenant, promise and agree to and with the said Stephen Van Renselaer, his heirs and assigns, that they the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty, their successors or assigns, shall and will within three days after the said assignment of the said Van Renselaer for the exclusive right of all Ferriages within the Stations aforesaid & the transferring one acre of Ground in manner aforesaid to the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty and their successors & assigns transfer all their Right, Interest, Property, Claim and demand to all Ferriages throughout the whole County of Albany, except between the places aforementioned. And for the true performance of the Covenants and Agreements herein above mentioned the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty for themselves and their Successors and the said Stephen Van Renselaer for himself his heirs, executors and administrators do hereby mutually bind and oblige him & themselves to each other in the penal sum of two thousand pounds current money aforesaid firmly by these Presents. In Witness whereof to the one Part of these Presents the said Stephen Van Renselaer hath set his hand and seal the day and year first above written. S: V. RENSSELAER. [L. S.]

Scaled and delivered in the presence of

Henry B. Ten Eyck,  
Rich<sup>d</sup>: Cartwright.

Resolved by this Board that the City seal be affixed to a Certificate to the Patroon to all the Pretences the Corporation have to any rights of Ferriages within the Manor of Renselaer, Provided the afd articles of Agreement take place.

The Question being put and the opinion desired whether it would be good to continue the City night watch under such rules as the same is now

established by the Ordinance of this City or send a Petition to the General Assembly of this Province for to have the sum of £250 raised by a City Tax to defray the Charges of a City night watch. Carried in the affirmative.

For the Affirmative—Peter Lansing, John Rooreback, Abr<sup>m</sup> Yates, Peter Ryckman, Nining Vischer, John N. Bleecker, John G. Lansing, John Ten Broock.

Nagetive.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 24th day of November, 1768.

Whereas a Petition from this Board to the General Assembly was read requesting an Act to be passed for raising a Sum of Money not exceeding £250 to keep the Night watch of this City by a Tax on the Inhabitants for one year. Resolved by this Board that the said Petition is approved of, and that the same be sent by the Clerk at first opportunity to the members of our City & County.

Resolved by this Board that the following accounts are allowed, and that the Clerk give an order on Treasurar for the payment of the same, viz :

One for Frederick Gerrison,	- - - -	£3:13
D <sup>o</sup> for Peter Lansing,	- - - -	2:18
D <sup>o</sup> for Philip Elsworth,	- - - -	7: 9

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 5th Dec<sup>r</sup>, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Francis Lansing for four pounds for a Bull.

Copy of a Letter sent to Jacob H. Ten Eyck, Philip Schuyler, & Abr<sup>m</sup> Ten Broock, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, at New York :

We have received Mr. Ten Broock Letter of the 23d ult<sup>o</sup>, desiring us to furnish you with Mr. De Peysters Affidavit concerning our Claim to certain Lands in the Mohawks Country; we therefore send you the same inclosed & Confidence your best Endeavours for our Interest, by order of Common Council.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 7th day of December, 1769[8?].

The following Persons are appointed Fire Masters for the year ensuing.

Peter V. Douw & Thomas Williams Jun<sup>r</sup>, for the first ward.

Abraham Veeder & Abraham Eigh, for second ward.

Cornelius Cadmus & Wouter Quckenboss, for third ward.

Ordered by this Board that the warrant to directed to the above Persons, the Ordinance renewed for regulating the same, Vide Book of Ordinances.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Frans Winne & others on the north end of this City for five pounds, being for making a well.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the House of Richard Cartwright of the said City on Thursday the 8th day of December, 1768.

Resolved by this Board that the former deed given to Daniel Winne for the Ground lying in the Foxes Creek be distroyed at that a new one be drawn for a mistake in the Boundaries dated the day of 1768.

Resolved by this Board that a new one be drawn for the Ground to Daniel Winne and that the Mayor sign the same in behalf of this Corporation and that the City seal be affixed to the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 11th January, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk send an Order to the Treasurer to Putt up advertisements to warn all People who are indebted to this Board to pay the same on or before the tenth day of February next, and in case of Refusal to be prosecuted.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the following Accounts :

Rutger Bleecker,	- - - - -	£13:16: 0
Abr <sup>m</sup> W. De Peyster,	- - - - -	2: 5: 0
Michael Hann,	- - - - -	2:13: 0
Abr <sup>m</sup> Bogert, Jun <sup>r</sup> ,	- - - - -	6:16: 6
Wouter De Rider,	- - - - -	1: 6: 0
Jacob Lansing, Jun <sup>r</sup> & Jn <sup>o</sup> Ten Brook,	- - - - -	16:10

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 30th day of January, 1769.

On a Question whether Mr. Hogs Letter to the Corporation offering his service to translate the Records, ought not to be answered. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk write to him in the name of the Corporation and acquaint him that this Board think they have not any occasion of him for that service.

The Corporation this day agreed with Benjamin Gable to be the Town Whipper at the Rate of twenty pounds  $\text{p}$  annum for that service, & if the Sheriff wants him to Execute any Person he is to perform that Service likewise, the Sheriff paying him therefore.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 31st January, 1769—Present, the Mayor, John H. Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, Peter Lansing, John R. Bleecker, Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Rooreback, Abr<sup>m</sup> Ten Brook, Jacob Lansing, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, Aldermen; John Fryer, John G. Lansing, Peter Ryckman, Naning Vischer, John N. Bleecker, John Ten Brook, Assistants.

Resolved by this Board that all Persons born in this City of Albany shall have their Freedoms, each paying for the same two shillings and six, viz: One shilling for the Mayor, Recorder, or any three of the Aldermen, one shilling for the Seal and six pence for drawing.

This Board have this day agreed with John Wouter Groesbeeck for to let him have seven acres and one quarter of an acker of Ground, scituate, lying and being a Schatacock on the South side of a place called the Ossey Kloof, with a Quit Rent of three Schipple of wheat yearly & every year for ever. And also agreed with Dirck Van Vechten for fifty-six acres of Land scituate, lying and being at Schatacoock on both sides of the Road that leads to the River, viz, thirty-seven acres on the South side and nineteen on the North side with a Quit of six Schipple of wheat yearly and every year for ever.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 16th Febr<sup>y</sup>, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that a Warrant be issued ordering the Assessors of this City to assess, levy and cause to be collected the Sum of £250 on the Freeholders, Freeman, Inhabitants, Residents and Sojourners within the limits of this City, except those that live to the west of the Schey Bergie, according to an Act of the Governor, Council and General Assembly, entitled an Act to enable the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Commonalty of this City of Albany for the time being, or the major part of them, to order the raising a sum not exceeding £250 for the uses therein mentioned. Passed the 31st day of December, 1769.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 22 February, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Warrents directed to the Assessors be returnable by the fifth day of March next to Henry Bleecker, City Treasurer.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Joseph Conklin or his order for £20:18 New York currency, being an oversight which was neglected to give an order on the Treasurer some time past.

Resolved that the Clerk draw orders to pay the following acc<sup>ts</sup>, viz :

Cornelius Swits acc' for	-	-	-	-	£1:12: 0
Cornelia Butcher for keeping the Publick Whipper ten weeks, a 6 <sup>th</sup> week,	-	-	-	-	3: 0: 0
Kellyan Winne acc' for	-	-	-	-	3:11: 9
Tafta Stensil acc' for	-	-	-	-	0:10: 6
William Van Antwerpe,	-	-	-	-	0: 8: 0
Frans K. Winne acc' for	-	-	-	-	5: 6:10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
Philip Reyley,	-	-	-	-	6: 0: 0
One D <sup>r</sup> for Johannis Grooesbeek,	-	-	-	-	0: 7: 0
Harna Gansevoort,	-	-	-	-	0: 2: 6

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor order a Table to be made suitable for the Common Council room & to have the same covered with a green Ratteen or other green Cloth, and that the Mayor also order an other Chimney to be made in the said Comon Council room.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 6th March, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign a Deed to Comfort SeEVERS for a Lott of Ground lying in the second ward, bounded on the east, south & west by the streets and on the north by a Lott of Ground of y<sup>e</sup> said Comfort SeEVERS, containing in bredth on the east & wes thirty-one feet five inches & in length on both sides one hundred and forty-two feet, all English measure.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following Accounts :

Richard Cartwright acc' for	-	-	-	£8:10:0
Alida Pruynt,	-	-	-	3: 9:6
Volkert P. Douw, Esq <sup>r</sup> ,	-	-	-	23: 8:7

Henry Bleecker, Treasurer, informs this Board that the Assessors have

delivered him a list for collecting £250 for maintaining the Night Watch of this City.

Resolved by this Board that a warrant be served on the Collector to collect the same.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar whrite to the Creditors of this Corporation and inform them that unless they discharge their arrears they will be arrested within three days, and that he employ all the Attorney's equally.

Resolved that an Addition be made to the middle Wharf of eighty feet in length and thirty-two feet in breadth, and that Peter Lansing, Jn<sup>o</sup> Rooreback, John G. Lansing, Jn<sup>o</sup> Ten Broock, John N. Bleecker, Nanning Visscher be a Committee to make proposals & endeavour an agreement with such Persons as will undertake to do the same & to report as soon as may be to this Board for their approbation.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 16th March, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Simon J. Veeder for six shillings & eight pence, being a mistake in the former acc' delivered in, to the Treasurar.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders to pay the following Acc<sup>ts</sup> :

John Rooreback acc <sup>t</sup> ,	-	-	-	-	£1: 0:0
Peter Jones,	-	-	-	-	0: 2:9
Nicholas Brewer,	-	-	-	-	2: 2:6
Peter Silvester,	-	-	-	-	7: 2:6
John McDonald,	-	-	-	-	1: 6:0
Abr <sup>m</sup> Defreest,	-	-	-	-	0:14:0
John Horn,	-	-	-	-	0: 6:0
Gerrit Van Vranken, for	-	-	-	-	3:10:9
Wouter Quackenboes, for	-	-	-	-	0: 3:6

A Petition being presented to this Board by Jacob Freligh for a small Peice of Ground lying in the Foxes Creek for a Tan Yard to the west of Jacob Ten Eyck's Lot, Resolved by this Board that the said Lot of Ground be sold at Publick Vendue on Saturday the 18th March ins', being in breadth on the north and south 50 feet and the same length the other Lots are sold, are with a Quit Rent of ten shillings yearly and every year for ever.

This day Thomas Hilton appeared before the Board and acquaints them that he is not able to pay for the Lot he had bought of the Corporation some time ago, lying to the south of the Presberterian Meeting House, which this Board considered & agreed to take back the same by assigning all his right on the back of the deed to this Corporation.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar take a Mortgage with a Bond of Barnardus Bratt for the sum he is indebted to the Corporation for the Lot of Ground lying in the Manor of Renselaer.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign the following deeds in behalf of the Corporation as soon as every Person has bought Lotts pay for the same and that the City seal be affixed thereto, viz :

Lot No. 3 to Philip Cuyler and contains in breadth on the north three Chains and thirty-eight Links and in the rear on the south three Chains

and thirty-eight Links, and on the east two Chains & eighty Links and on the west two Chains and seventy-five Links.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 2 to D<sup>r</sup> Philip Cuyler and contains in breadth on the north & south three Chains and thirty-three Links, and on the east two Chains and eighty-five Links & on the west two Chains & eighty Links.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 1 to Harry Monro and contains in breadth on the north and south three Chains and twenty-nine Links, and in length on the east two Chains and ninety Links and on the west two Chains and eighty-five Links.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 3 to John Williams and contains in breadth on the north and south three Chains and sixty Links, on the east three Chains and on the west two Chains & ninety-five Links.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 5 to William Waldrom & contains in breadth on the north & south two Chains, & on the east and west five Chains.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 4 to Staats V. Santvort the same.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 3 to William Zoble the same.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 2 to Jacobus Van Sante the same.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 1 to Harry Monroe the same.

Lot No 4 to Thomas Seeger and contains in breadth on the north & south two Chains and a half and in length on the east and west four Chains.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 3 to Daniel Matteson the same.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 2 to John Price the same.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 1 to Henry I. Bogert the same.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 4 to David Smith the same.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 3 to John Donalson the same.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 2 to Luykas Hoogekerk the same.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 1 to Marten Mynderse the same.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 5 to John Van Alen and contains in breadth on the north and south one Chain and in length on the east and west four Chains.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 4 to D<sup>r</sup> John Van Alen the same.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 3 to Charles Folliet the same.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 2 to James Bloodgood the same.

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 1 to James Dole the same.

Resolved by this Board that the four several Docks belonging to this Corporation be sold at publick Vendue on Saturday the 18th day of March ins<sup>t</sup> to the first day of January 1770. And also the Ferry leading from this City to Green Bush from the 4 April next to the first day of January, 1770.

This day this Board agreed with Comfort SeEVERS to make a Dock to range with the Middle Dock to the north thereof and to be eighty foot long and thirty-two feet in breadth, to be of the same proportion of materials as to Wood, Stone, Iron, Gravel & Ground as the Middle Dock and to be one foot higher, for which the Corporation is to pay £280. Seventy pounds whereof is to be paid when the Dock is half finished and the remainder when intirely finished.

COMFORT SEEVER.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Thomas Seeger for three Schipple of wheat.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar sell one hundred Schipple of the City wheat at 3s. 4d <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Schipple for ready cash to the Inhabitants of this City.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 18th March, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of John R. Bleecker, Esq<sup>r</sup>, for £6:16 New York currency.

This day was sold at Publick Vendue the Ferry leading from this City to Green Bush to John Cortnay for the Consideration of the sum of £51 New York currency, to the first day of January next, upon Condition that he must have two Boats and proper hands to attend the same, Provided that he gives a sufficient Freeholder for the payment of the same by the first day of January next.

The four several Docks belonging to this Corporation were sold at Publick Vendue to John Van Volkenburgh for the Consideration of £66, Provided that he can give a sufficient Freeholder to become bound to the Corporation for the payment of the same by the first day of January next.

This day was sold at Publick Vendue the lot of Ground lying in Foxes Creek to Jacob Freligh for the sum of £10 with a Quit of ten shillings yearly.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar settle with Gysbert Merselis for the sum he is indebted to the Corporation by taking a Mortgage or Bond with a security, and if Mr. John Van Alen pays the one half of the sum he and Merselis are indebted to the Corporation then he is to discharge Van Alen for the Docks sold March 1767.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 20th March, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar settle with Marta Winne & Dirck Van Vechten and deduct three of the last years lease of the Saw mil at Schatacoock.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 29th March, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurar to pay the following acc<sup>ts</sup>:

One D <sup>o</sup> for Wilhelmus Vandenberg, - - -	£7:14
One D <sup>o</sup> for John J. Bleecker, - - -	8: 4
One D <sup>o</sup> for Johannis Ouderkerk, - - -	2:14

This day this Board agreed with Nicholas Cuyler and John Beekman in behalf of the heirs of Abraham Cuyler, de<sup>d</sup>, for to give them a Quit Claim of thirteen Morgan of Land lying on the south side of the Mohawk's River at a place called Tennendoragah for the Consideration of £30.

Resolved by this Board that the Ferry from this City to Green Bush be sold at publick Vendue on Saturday the first day of April next, and whoever buys the said Ferry is to have a sufficient Freeholder immediately to become security to the said Corporation for the payment of the same by the first day of January next.

A Letter being presented to this Board from Co' P. Schuyler in behalf of Co' John Van Renselaer which was read, relating to the Ferry's on the East side of Hudsons River, upon which this Board came to the following Resolution, that they conceive the Ferry's to be an undoubted Right belonging to this Corporation and therefore resolve not to enter into any Contract whatsoever with Co' Renselaer about the same.

Resolved that Co' P. Schuyler be served with a Copy hereof.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 1st day of April, 1769.

Mr. Joseph Yates, Overseer of the City night watch, acquainted some of

the members of this Corporation that he had no sufficient Watchmen to guard the City, Resolved by this Board that the said Joseph Yates be discharged from watching till farther orders.

This day was sold at publick Vendue to Bernardus Brat the Ferry leading from this City to Green Bush for the Consideration of £31 New York currenney, to commence from the 4th day of April ins<sup>t</sup> to the first day of January next.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 15th day of April, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Joseph Yates for services done in attending the City night watch as Overseer from the first day of May, 1766 to the first day of April ins<sup>t</sup>, being two years and eleven months at 45£ <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> year, being £131:5:0.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar pay unto Egbert Bratt the sum of £6:6 upon Condition that the Treasurar finds any time hence that the said sum has paid unto his son John E. Bratt now dec<sup>d</sup>, then he is to return the same into the Treasurars hands.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Thomas Seeger for three Schipple of wheat and charge the same to his Account.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 24th day of April, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign a Quit Claim to Nicholas Cuyler, Abraham Cuyler, Harmanus Cuyler, Abraham Cuyler, Jacob Cuyler, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Catharine Cuyler, Anna Cuyler, Jannetie Cuyler and Hester Cuyler, and that the City Seal be affixed thereto in behalf of the Corporation for a Lot of Ground scituate, lying and being at a place called Tinnandora on the south side of the Mohawk's River, bounded as follows: All that certain peice of Land scituate, lying and being on the south side of Mohawk's River at a place called Tinnandrogise's Great Flatt, beginning by a small Creek or Cove of water that leads in the said River and from thence up along the said River to the westward four hundred yards more or less to a Creek by the land formerly claimed by Dominie Van Driesen, from thence to the southerd along the Creek to the hill or on the hill four hundred and fifty yards more or less, from thence east under and along the hill to the Creek or Cove five hundred yards more or less, from thence northerly along the Creek or Cove to the place of the Mohawk's River where it first begun five hundred yards more or less, containing about thirteen Morgan.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Isaac Swits for £1:4:8.

This Board this day agreed with William Hilton to make a Bridge over the Rutten Kill behinde the Lot of Ground of Stephen J. Schuyler for sum of £17 upon Condition that the Bridge is to be made good with sufficient Timber well hewed & when compleated then the Corporation are to view it and if not made according their directions then he is to alter the same according to their liking, which Bridge is to be in length thirty-two feet and the breadth to be seven foot and the hight six feet.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Thomas Seeger for £4:5 and to charge the same to his account.



This Board agreed with Alderman Yates to employ persons to level the Lot of Ground lying on Wouten Bergh next to the Lot of Mr. Isaac Swits for the sum of six pounds.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City the 29th day of April, 1769.

This Board this day agreed with John S. Quackenboss for to let him nine acres and a half of Land scituate, lying and being at Schatacook.

Resolved that a deed be drawn for the same with a Quit Rent of nine shillings yearly and every year for ever, and that the Mayor sign the same in behalf of the Corporation and that the City Seal be affixed to the same.

This day this Board agreed with Dirck Wool for to let him have six acres of Land lying at Schatacook during his life time & his wife, and after their death the same to come back again to this Corporation of Albany with the Improvements on the same.

Resolved by this Board that no Lands lying at Schatacook whatsoever be sold at private sale from this date and that an advertisement be put up accordingly.

Resolved by this Board that following Letter be sent to Mr. Van Ness at Schatacook:

By order of the Corporation of this City you are ordered to let Mr. Beecker make his fence where the old one is, and if you not comply with this request the Corporation will without any further notice measure your farm and you will be obliged only to have as much as is conveyed to you, and if Mr. Beecker has less Ground than is conveyed to him the Corporation Resolve to release to him the Ground behind your boundary, else the Ground you will have less than your measure shall be allowed behind your bondary.

Resolved by this Board that the Lot of Ground lying in the third ward of this City next to the Lot of William Ver Plank on the north side of Foxes Creek on the east side of the Road that leads from this City to the Patrons mills be sold at Publick Vendue on Wednesday the 3d of May next.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 3d of May, 1769.

This Board this day pospond selling the Ground lying in the third ward of this City next to the lot of William Ver Planck and to the north of the Road that leads to the Patroons mills untill further orders, having told both Defreest & Ver Plank that untill they two agree with each other neither of them or any other person shall have the Ground from the Corporation.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 5 June, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Peter De Wandelaer for £4:3.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 22d of June, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Comfort Severs for £70 New York currency, being in part of payment for making the dock in the third ward.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar

in favour of Comfort Severs for twenty-five Schipple of wheat at 4s.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Schipple & charge the same to his acc<sup>t</sup>.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar sell all the City wheat at 4s.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Schipple to the Inhabitants of this City and is to let no one have more than six Schipple.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Thomas Seeger for £3:11:4 for cleaning the Comon Council room.

This Board appointed Aldermen Roreback to have the Road made to the south of the City Hall & the drain.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Thomas Seeger for three Schipple of wheat.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 28th day of July, 1769.

This Board appoints John R. Bleecker & John N. Blycker to be a Committee to agree with Comfort Severs to make the middle dock one foot higher and to get persons to fill up the same with Stone, Gravel and Iron work.

Peter Lansing and John Roreboach for the dock to the south of the City Hall.

John H. Ten Eyck, Ab<sup>m</sup> Ten Broock & John Ten Broock for the dock to the north end of the City.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurar to pay the following acc<sup>t</sup>:

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Frans Winne for . . . . . £3:13:9

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Thomas Auston for . . . . . 0:16:0

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Abraham Defreest for . . . . . 5: 7:9

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Step<sup>n</sup> De Lancey for attending as Clerk two

years at 16  $\frac{3}{4}$  year & drawing several deeds for the Corporation, 61: 0:0

This Board agreed with Bastiaen Vischer for to keep in repair the road leading from this City to the Sand bergh for eight pounds a year, to commence from the 20th June last and is to keep it ten years in repair.

Resolved by this Board that the wheat belonging to this Corporation and now in the Treasurars store be sold unto Henry Bleecker at 4s.  $\frac{3}{4}$  schipple.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Thomas Seeger for six Schipple and charge the same to his Acc<sup>t</sup>.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 6 day of August, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurar to pay the following Acc<sup>t</sup>:

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of John Waters for . . . . . £1: 4

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Garret Van Sante, . . . . . 13:15

This day was sold to Gerrit P. Van Ness a peice of Land lying on the East of Schatacoock in which is included a peice of Land formerly sold to John Knickerbacker and Nicholas Grooesbeeck, which they have again given up and resigned to this Board and contains thirty-six acres three Roods and twenty-five Perches, for the Consideration of twenty pounds and six Schipple of winter wheat yearly & every year for ever and that a deed be drawn for the same and the City seal be affixed thereto, and that the Mayor sign the same in behalf of this Board.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 28th of Sepember, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurar to pay the following accounts :

One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Stephen I. Schuyler for a Bull for the City,	£5: 0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Philip Lansing for	4: 10
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Patrick Clark for making the road in the Pasture,	26: 0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Robert Lansingh for taking care of the fire Ingines, being for the year 1769,	5: 3
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Wilhelmus Vandenberg for riding of Gravil with Horse & Cart,	3: 0
One P <sup>o</sup> in favour of William Hilton for making the Bridge and finding the Materials for the Bridge behind the lot of Step <sup>n</sup> I. Schuyler,	17: 10

The Ordinance for making one Constable in each ward renewed untill the 28th day of Sep<sup>r</sup> 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurar give notice to all persons that are indebted to this Corporation to come and settle with him by given a Bond with Security or paying their Debts on or before the 30 Ins', or else he is hereby ordered to give the Acc<sup>ts</sup> into the hands of all the Att<sup>'s</sup> of this City equal to be recovered by them in behalf of this Corporation.

Resolved by this Board that Clerk draw orders on the Treasurar in favour of John Boone for keeping Benjamin Gable the publick whipper 25 weeks at seven shillings a week,

One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of James Dunneway for making the road on Frans bergh next to the Lot of Isaac Swits as <sup>39</sup> the agreement with the Corporation and Alderman Yates.	6: 0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Paul Hoghstrosser for a Pump,	4: 0

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 29th day of September, 1769.

This being the day appointed by Charter for electing of Aldermen, Comon Council and Constables, &c<sup>n</sup>, the following is the order in which they where elected and returned, viz :

First Ward—Peter Lansingh & John Roreback, Aldermen ; John Williams & Jacob Roseboom, Assistants ; Peter Hilton & John Wilkerson, Constables.

Second Ward—John R. Bleecker & Abraham C. Cuyler, Aldermen ; John N. Bleecker & Gysbert G. Marselis, Assistants ; Dirick Schuyler & William Reegle, Constables.

Third Ward—Abraham Yates, Jur, & Abram Ten Broock, Alderman ; John Ten Broock & John G. Lansingh, Assistants ; Benj<sup>n</sup> Hansen & Jacob Fonda, Constables.

Henry Bleecker is appointed Chaimberlan for the ensuing year.

Thomas Seeger is appointed Marshel for the ensuing year.

Jacobus Fonda is appointed High Constable for the year ensuing.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 14th day of Oct<sup>r</sup>, 1769.

This being the day appointed by Charter for qualifying the yearly officers, viz :

Volkert P. Douw, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Comission appointing Mayor of the City of Albany & Clarke of the Market and Coroner of the City and County of Albany, and was sworn in the due execution of his office.

Harmanus Schuyler, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him high Sheriff the City and County of Albany and was sworn in the due execution of his office.

Peter Lansing & John Rooreback, Aldermen for the first ward.

Jacob Roseboom & John Williams, Assistants for d<sup>o</sup>.

John Wilkerson & Peter W. Hilton, Constables for d<sup>o</sup>.

John R. Bleecker & Abr<sup>m</sup> C. Cuyler, Aldermen for the second ward.

John N. Bleecker & Gysbert G. Marselis, Assistants for d<sup>o</sup>.

Abr<sup>m</sup> Ten Broock, one of the Aldermen for third ward.

John G. Lansingh, one of the Assistants for d<sup>o</sup>.

Benj<sup>n</sup> Hansen, one of the Constables for d<sup>o</sup>.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 26 October, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following Accounts :

One D <sup>y</sup> in favour of John Cuyler for	-	-	£0: 6:6
One D <sup>y</sup> in favour of John N. Bleecker for	-	-	0:17:3
One D <sup>y</sup> in favour of Abraham C. Cuyler for	-	-	0:15:0
One D <sup>y</sup> in favour of John R. Bleecker for	-	-	0: 8:0
One D <sup>y</sup> in favour of John Ja. Beekman for	-	-	2:14:4

Also an order to be drawn in favour of Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Esq<sup>r</sup>, for the sum of eighty pounds New York currency, being for moneys advanced by Alderman Yates for this Board and paid to Comfort Seevers for part of payment for making the addition to the middle dock according to an agreement made between him and this Board the 16th of March last.

Resolved by this Board that the Clark draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Henry Bleecker for ten pounds New York currency, being advanced & paid by him to Amos Hammer & James Lombis for making the road from Lansingborough to this City.

Mr. Abraham Douw produced an order drawn by Comfort Seevers on this Board for the sum thirty pounds to be paid to Mr. Douw.

Resolved by this Board that an order be drawn on the Treasurer in favour of Mr. Douw for the sum of thirty pounds & charge the same to the account of Comfort Seevers.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk send an order to Bastian Vischer for to make the road leading from this City to the Sand bergh according to an agreement made with him.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 3d November, 1769.

Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Esq<sup>r</sup>, being sworn and qualified as Alderman for the City of Albany one of his Majestys Justices of the Peace for the City & County of Albany.

John Ten Broock sworn and qualified as one of the Common Council for this City.

This Board appoints the undermented persons as Fire Masters for the year ensuing :

Baltus Van Benthuyzen & Augustus Bostwick for the first ward.

Comfort Severs & Jacob Pruyn for the second ward.

Dirick Ten Broock & Volkert A. Douw for the third ward.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Nanning Vischer for £31:10:8.

Resolved by this Board that the undermentioned Ordinance be entred on the Minutes of Comon Council :

Be it ordained by the Worshipful Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Assistants of this City of Albany in Common Council this day convened, and be it ordained by the authority aforesaid, that the range of the Street running to the River between the Houses of S<sup>r</sup> William Johnson and the House of Gerrit Van Sante, Jun<sup>r</sup>, the south side of the said Street shall range from the north west corner of said Gerrit Van Santes now dwelling by the Cow street with a straight line to the north west corner of the dwelling house of Wessel Van Schaick and so on the same range to low water mark on the River side, being a course south seventy-four degrees and thirty minutes east, and that the Street lying to the east of said Wessel Van Schaick now dwelling is to be in breadth from the north east corner of his said dwelling house twenty-eight feet Ryuland measure on the above course of south seventy-four Degrees east, and the like breadth by the house formerly belonging to Ryer Gerritse wherein William Pemberton now lives, and so with a straight line from the east end of the said twenty-eight feet opposite the north east corner of said Van Schaick dwelling house to the east end of the twenty-eight feet opposite the said house where William Pemberton now lives in and to continue same range to the Street that runs to the River of the north of John the fifths Lansings dwelling house.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 27th November, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the well made by the neighbours living on Frans bergh be fenished with all that is to be done to it, and also that a pump be made in said well which this Board agrees to pay for.

The Ordinance renewed for all kinds of meat brought for sail within the limits of this City and to be in force from this date to the 25 January, 1770, viz : every lb of Mutton, Veal or Beef at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

The Ordinance renewed for unruely riding from this date to be in force to the 27th Nov<sup>r</sup>, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Comfort Seevers for £308:19:9 New York currency, being for making the addition to the middle dock and making the middle dock one foot higher and making the upper dock also one foot higher; first you are to deduct the several payments already made by you in behalf of the Corporation, viz, the Order drawn by Comfort Seevers on this Board for the sum of thirty pounds, and also let him discharge the mortgage which you have taken in behalf of this Board, and also all such orders & money pay by you in behalf of this Board.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 9th day of December, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders to pay the following Accounts:

One in favour of Patrick Clark for	-	-	£31:2:0
One Do in favour of Staats V: Santvoor	-	-	3:5:3

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 11th day of December, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that Paul Hoghstroser pay unto James Bloodgood the sum of £25 New York currency, being for timber which said Paul Hoghstroser bought of the Corporation and that Bloodgoods receipt be his sufficient discharge.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 16th December, 1769.

Resolved by this Board that the following Letter be sent to the Members of the General Assembly of the City and County of Albany, now at New York :

Gen!—We enclose you the Petition of the Schoharry Inhabitants, which you will find is signed by the whole except only about six ; they have shewn in general a great fondness to remain in our County. You have also enclosed the City Petition with To the Northward as far as Saratoga on the West side of the River, including Schatacook ; we have not altered the Petition so as to agree with the act published in the papers of the last Session of the Gen! Assembly because we think that the going from Aries Kill to the Head of the Delaware will not enclude all Schoharry and therefore we would chuse that the act should be altered so as to extend from Aries Creek or kill south thirty degrees west ; we shall send you by the next post the Petition from Albany to the west Camp which is not yet come to hand. We have ordered the Express to keep his message secred untill he comes to you and then to receive your further orders.

Resolved that the Clerk of this Corporation sign the same in behalf of this Board.

This Board agreed with Henry Van Vechten for to go down to New York with the above Letter for which he is to have ten pounds New York currency.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 3d day of January, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw Orders on the Treasurar to pay the following Accounts :

One in favour of John R. Bleecker for	- -	£1: 1:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Jacob Bleecker, Ju <sup>r</sup> ,	- -	1: 0:0
One in favour of Gerrit A. Lansing for	- -	4:19:6
One in favour of Thomas Hun for	- -	0:10:0
One in favour of W <sup>m</sup> & Henry Staats for	- -	2: 5:0

This Board wants twenty-one Sober persons to keep the City night watch.

Resolved by this Board that an Advertisement be put that this Board wants twenty-one Sober persons to keep the City night watch and that they give their names to the Aldermen or Assistants of each ward on or before next Saturday who have a mind to serve as watchman.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of New Labanen being presented to the Board, which was read requesting this Board to make some provision for their assistance in making the Roads and Bridges from New Labanan to this City, which this Board took time to consider thereon. Resolved by this Board that Robert Bulless & Moses Jones be served with a Copy hereof.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 6th January, 1770.

This Board agreed with Joseph I. Yates to be the Overseer of the City night watch, for which this Board agrees to pay him two shillings a night.

This Board agreed with the following persons to keep the City night watch for one shilling and six pence to every person who shall watch under the directions of Joseph I. Yates :

Joseph Hagerman, James Miller, John Wilkerson, Jonathan Brook, Jur, James Smith, John Forster, John Armstrong, Thomas Hilton, Albartus Bloomendal, Philip Young, Patrick McGrigor, Robert Bruse, Richard Hickson, James Dunneway, Nicholas Druly, John Burges, John Flensburg, Peter Marshel, Obediah Van Benthuisen, James Green, Henry Beesly.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerke draw orders on the Treasurer in favour of Wilhelmus Van Antwerpen for £1:18.

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Philip Ryley for attending the Town Clock one year, £6.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 26th January, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that a Warrent do issue to the Assessors of the City of Albany to rate and tax all and every the Freeholders, Freemen, Inhabitants, Residents and Sojourners living within a half mile from the river living in the said City for £250 for to defray the Expenses of a night watch in this City.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seeger for one Beg of wheat or 3 Schipple and charge the same to his Acc<sup>t</sup>.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 9th of February, 1770.

The Assessors of the City of Albany delivered to the Board an exact list of the rates and tax laid on the Freeholders, Freemen, Inhabitants, Residents and Sojourners in the City of Albany living within a half mile from Hudsons River to defray the Expences of a City night watch.

Resolved by this Board that a Warrent do issue to the Collectors of the City of Albany for to collect the tax rated according to the Tax list delivered in to the Comon Council by the Assessors.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following Accounts :

Philip Elsworth for	£0:10:0	Anthony Flensburgh,	£4: 0:6
Jacob Hilton for	0:10:6	Patrick Ryen,	2: 2:0
Thomas Shipboy for	2: 9:0	John Armstrong,	1:12:0
David Smith for	0: 9:0		

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Redteliff for three Schipple of wheat.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on the 14th March, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the City Treasurer to pay the following Accounts :

Levinus Dunbar for £10:16:3 Abraham Cuyler for £0:19:0  
 John Roseboom, Junr, 4: 0:6

A Petition being presented to the Board of Garret Van Bomel of Anquassihook in the County of Albany, Yeoman, requesting this Board to let him have the two Falls of Water situate & being in this County of Albany about four Miles to the East of Hudsons River on a certain Creek or Kill commonly called Tomhenick Creek, and the Lands adjacent to the said Falls for a Homestead & Pasture Ground.

Resolved by this Board that the said falls of Water with fifty acres of Land adjacent thereto be sold at Publick Vandue on the Premises for fifty years on Tuesday the fifteenth May next, & that an Advertisement be put up accordingly. Resolved also by this Board that the several small peices of Land will be sold at the same time at a Publick Vandue.

Resolved by this Board that the Income of the four several Docks be sold at Publick Vandue on Saturday the 17th day of March ins', at two o'clock in the afternoon to the first January, 1771.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurar in favour of Thomas Seeger for six Schipple of wheat.

Resolved by this Board that the Income of the Ferry leading from Yannoms Pat to the north of the City of Albany be sold at Publick Vandue on Saturday next for three years next comming.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on Saturday the 17th day of March, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders to pay the following Acc<sup>ts</sup>:

Henry Van Veghten for £10: 0:0 Teunis I. Vischer, £2:15:6  
 Wilhelmus Van Denbergh, 2:12:6 John Waters, 2: 0:0

This Board agreed with Tawis Auston for to let him have the Ferry leading from Yannoms Pat to the Upper Dock for three years, two shillings a year, the Rates to be as follows: Every man and horse 1s 3d., & every single person four Coppers and so in proportion.

This Board have this day at Publick Vandue sold the four several Docks to the first January next belonging to the Corporation for the Consideration of the sum of £66 New York currency, to be paid on or before the first day of January, 1771, to Abraham I. Yates, and John Williams is become bound with Mr. Ab<sup>m</sup> I. Yates for the payment for the same.

Resolved by this Board that a Bond be drawn.

This Board have appointed Pr Lansing, J<sup>n</sup> Roorback, Aldermens, and Mr. Williams & Mr. Roseboom, As<sup>ts</sup>, to be a Committe & see the Decds of the Lot of the Widow Defreest & also see wether this Board can sell any Ground lying in the Rutten Kill & whether it would not be determinated to this Corporation. Ordered that they make Report to this Board.

Resolved by this Board that Aldermen Lansingh, Roorback and Mess<sup>rs</sup> Williams and Roseboom be a Committee to agree with persons to make an addition to the Dock below the City Hall to the north end of the said Dock & is to be in length 80 feet & in breadth 32.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany the 20th March, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Joseph Yates as Overseer of the Night watch for the sum of forty pounds New York currency to pay the Watchmen for two months



each out of the money in your hands for to defray the Expençe of the City night watch.

This Board agreed to let Thomas Lotteridge have the Ferry with the Widow Hansen as last year with Mrs. Ten Broock leading from the City of Albany to Green Bush for three years for thirty pounds a year & to make a Dock of about fourteen foot broad & so long as shall be necessary for the ferry Boats to come to for all Persons & Carriages to land conveniently, & as agreed to follow all such orders as the Corporation shall think proper to make from time to time & in default thereof to forfeit this Contract & in such case this agreement to become nul & void.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to sell one hundred Schipple of the City wheat at four shillings  $\frac{3}{4}$  Schipple.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 2d April, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John J. Bleecker for £1:3.

This Board this day settelled with Sarah McMichal, widow of Daniel McMichal, in full by witch he remained indebted to the Corporation the sum of £5:13.

This Board agreed to let Sarah McMichal have the House & Ground at the Verryberg for £4  $\frac{3}{4}$  year for twenty-one years, & Resolved that a Deed be drawn & that the City Seal be affixed thereto, & that the Mayor sign the same in behalf of the Corporation.

This Board agreed with W<sup>m</sup> Vansante for to let him build his House in the Rutten Kill & to range with the House of Luykas Hoeghkerk.

A Petition of Ph: Elsworth being presented requested this Board for to let him have a small Lot of Ground next to the Lot of John Bone. This Board agreed to let Philip Elsworth have the Lot next to John Boones for forty pounds a year to be 25 feet broad & the length to the River.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 6th May, 1770.

This Board agreed with Levy Peas to make the Bridges and a Road from his house to Andries Michal to the City of Albany for the Consideration of forty pounds New York currency, which Road is to be made good for all Carriages to pass & repass & one half of the said sum of is to be paid by Alderman Ten Broock in behalf of the Widow Van Renselaer & the other half by the said Board.

Levy Peas applyed to this Board for assistance to make a Road from his House through Stephen Town to the House of Andries Michal.

Resolved that this Board will give 20£ to the Inhabitants of Stephentown or such of them as will undertake to make a good & sufficient Waggon Road & Bridges from the House of Levy Peas thro' Stephen Town to the House of Andries Michal along the Market Trees shewn to Mr. Marselis, & Alderman Ten Broock in behalf of the Widow Van Renselaer undertake to pay 20£ more.

This Board pospond selling the Ground at Scatacock to the 11 July next.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on Saturday the 26th May, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Joseph I. Yates for £100 New York currency out of the moneys in his hands for paying of the Watchmen of this City and that he render a proper account to this Board.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Hugh McKnab for £3:2.

Resolved by this Board that the Aldermen & Assistants have the Dreans made in the said ward & charge the same to the Board.

The Ordinance of selling of Meat by weight and the Prizes following, viz:

- Every lb of Meat at 4d.
- Every lb of Lamb at 4d.
- Every lb of Veal at 4d.
- Every lb of Mutton at 4d.
- Every head & pluck of a Calf, 1s. 6d.
- Every head & pluck of a Sheep, 9d.
- Every head & pluck of a Lamb, 6d.

To commence of the first day of June to the first of August, 1770.

Ordinance renewed for cleaning Streets, &c.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany the 30th June, 1770.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Michael Waggoner for eight shillings.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seeger for six Schipple wheat and charge the same to his acc<sup>t</sup>.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Daniel Roberson for four shillings.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City the 30th June, 1770, P. M.

Resolved by this Board to see Mess<sup>rs</sup> William Livingston & Rich<sup>d</sup> Morris, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, & to have their Advice what is best to be done in regard to our Right by our Charter of the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen setting as Justices in the Courts of Oyer & Terminer held for the City & County. After taking their advice,

Resolved by this Board that an Address shall be drawn by the said Gentlemen in conjunction to be presented to his Honour Lieutenant Governor informing him that the Justices of this Board were omitted in the Commission last sent up, which omission had raised a doubt in the Judges of the Supreme Court of our Right with a seat with them, & that as we are tenacious of our Rights desire that such an omission may not again happen.

At a Meeting of the Corporation at Schatacock on Wedn<sup>y</sup> the 11th of July, 1770.

Sold the following Peices of Land :

To Gerrit Van Bomele the old Sawmill fall lying on Tomhanock Creek with ten or twelve acres of Land adjacent and as much more Land on the south side of said Creek as to make 50 acres in the whole for the sum of three pounds to be paid in hand and twenty-five Schipples of wheat a year.

the three first years free, from the date of the Deed for fifty years, and the Corporation promise there shall not be a Grist mill erected on the lower falls during the above term.

To Dr. Nicholas Young eighty-seven acres of Land where he now lives for twenty shillings in hand and fourteen Schipples wheat  $\text{℥}$  annum for ever.

To Abraham Beecker a Peice of Land containing about two acres more or less, bounded as follows: bounded on the west by Tomhanock Creek, north on Land heretofore leased to said Ab<sup>m</sup> Beecker, on the east by the foot of the hill, on the south by Lewis Veeles for the sum of ten pounds one shilling, and eight shillings quitt yearly for ever, the Road always excepted.

To Peter Veale a Peice of Land containing seven acres and a half, for ten pounds in hand and one Schipple of wheat a year, bounded as will appear by Nanning Visgers Map.

To Peter Benoway a Peice of Land containing seven acres and a half, for ten pounds in hand and one Schipple of wheat a year, beginning at Andries's Canoe bridge and bounded as will appear by Nanning Visgers Map.

To Simon Defreest a Peice of Land containing sixty acres, for ten Schipples of wheat a year and bounded as  $\text{℥}$  Nanning Visgers Map.

To Joh<sup>s</sup> Knickerbaker all the Land which has not heretofore been sold or released by the Corporation of Albany lying on the east side and adjoining to Hudsons River, within the following bounds, viz: Beginning at a marked white oak Tree standing on the north east corner of a Parcell of Land, being the northermost Parcell of Land of him the said Joh<sup>s</sup> Knickerbaker lying near the River & to run from the said Oake Tree westerly along the said Parcell to the River, then southerly along the said River to the north bounds of the Land released by the said Corporation to Lewis Van Antwerp, then easterly along said Van Antwerps Lands to the Land heretofore released to John Knickerbaker, then southerly along the western bounds of the last mentioned Land to the south west corner thereof, then easterly along the said mentioned Land to on the edge of the first hill there, then northerly along the edge of said hill to opposite the said Oake Tree the place where it first began, and then to said Tree, for which the said Knickerbaker is to find the said Corporation and their Successors with Meat, Drink and Lodging once a year at his House at Schactacook.

To James Burris about thirty acres of Land, beginning 100 yards from Cap<sup>t</sup> Van Veghtens Land, and including the place where he now lives, lying on the south side of the road and during the term of his and his wifes life for one Schipple of wheat a year, the first payment to be made the first of January 1774.

To Jacob Fort a Peice of Land containing 50 acres for seven Schipples of wheat a year, bounded as will appear by Nanning Visgers Map.

To Peter Yates about seventy-nine acres of Land lying between two Creeks and adjoining his Land, as will appear by Nanning Visgers Map, for eight Schipples of wheat a year.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 4th of July, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Price for twelve Schipple of wheat.

Resolved that the Clerk give an order on the Treasurer in favour of Rob<sup>t</sup> Lansing for £6:9:9.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany the 9th of July, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Flensburgh for four pounds for keeping two Bulls.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for selling one hundred Skipple of the City wheat at 4s.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Skipple.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 21st July, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the following Account: Abraham Veeder for £0:12.

Resolved by this Board that the following Address enclosed in a Letter to Mr. Anthony Ten Eyck at New York to be delivered to the Honourable Cadwallader Colden, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Lieutenant Governor in and over the Province of New York, &c.

The Humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany:

May it please your Honor, we the Mayor, Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of Albany now attend your Honor with an Address upon a matter which we conceive to be of the utmost importance to the preservation of the Liberties, Priviledges, Rights & Immunities of our Corporation. The cause of our troubling your Honor at this time will appear from the following Facts.

Firstly, that by the Royal Charter of King James the Second, dated the twenty-second day of June one thousand seven hundred and eighty-six, the Mayor, Aldermen & Assistants of the City of Albany were Incorporated by the name of the Mayor, Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of Albany.

Secondly, that his said Majestys among other things did in and by the said Royal Charter grant to the said City of Albany & their Successors for ever, that the Mayor, Recorder & Aldermen of the said City shall always be, so long as they shall continue in their respective offices, Justice of the Peace for the said County & as such shall and may sit in the Courts of Sessions or County Courts & Courts of Oyer & Terminer that shall from time to time be held & kept in the said County.

Thirdly, that in the late Commission of Oyer & Terminer & General Goal Delivery for the County of Albany, dated the 25th of May last only two of the members of the said Corporation are named, we therefore flatter ourselves that the omission of the names of so many of the members of our Corporation in the last Commission of Oyer & Terminer & General Goal Delivery for the County of Albany arose rather from a mistake in the Clerks at the Public Offices than from design, however least the same should pass into a President we have taken the earliest opportunity to represent the matter to your Honor, and to desire that you will give directions to the proper Officers that such mistake may be avoided for the future.

We assure your Honor that our Duty as Guardians of the Liberties, Priviledges, Franchises, Rights and Immunities of this Corporation is the only motive that has induced us to give your Honor the Trouble of this Address.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 13th day of August, 1770.

The following is an Answer of the Lieutenant Governor Colden to the Corporation an Address of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany complaining that all, except two of the members of their Corporation (who by the Charter have Seats in the Court of Oyer and Terminer for the County of Albany), were omitted in the last Commission of Oyer & Terminer for the County, having been presented to the Lieutenant Governor by Mr. Ten Eyck the Governor was pleased to declare in answer thereto that he had not given any particular directions whatsoever relative to the last Commission of Oyer & Terminer for the County of Albany. That when he sealed the Commission he did suppose & made no doubt it was in the usual term, that he is very sorry it was otherwise; & believes it solely owing to an omission of the Clerks, nothing being more remote from the Lieutenant Governors intentions then to do any thing prejudicial to the Liberties, Rights & Priviledges of the City of Albany. August 7th, 1770.

The above Answer to your Address to the Lieutenant Governor Cadwallader Colden, Esqr, was delivered by his Honor's own hand to Gentlemen,

Your most obedient, humble Serv<sup>t</sup>,  
Flushing, August 7th, 1770. ANTHONY TEN EYCK.

Resolved that the following Letter be sent to Anthony Ten Eyck at New York :

Your favour of the eight ins<sup>t</sup> was this day laid before the Mayor, Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of Albany; I am orderd in their name to thank you for your very faithfull services, to inform you that they have directed Mr. Fryer not only to reimburse you for the Expence you have been at, but also to pay you for the trouble the Corporation has taken the Liberty to you. I am Sir, your humble Servent.

Mr. Yates left the Board.

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A Petion of the Butchers of the City of Albany being presented to this Board and read, setting forth for this Board to alter the prizes of meat sold in the Publick Markets in this City.

Resolved by this Board that this Board will not alter the Regulations of the meat already established by them. Ordered that the Butchers be served with a Copy hereof.

Resolved that the Clerk give an order on the Treasurer in favour of Rob<sup>t</sup> Lansing for £6:9:9.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany the 9th of July, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Flensburgh for four pounds for keeping two Bulls.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for selling one hundred Skipple of the City wheat at 4s.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Skipple.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 21st July, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the following Account: Abraham Veeder for £0:12.

Resolved by this Board that the following Address enclosed in a Letter to Mr. Anthony Ten Eyck at New York to be delivered to the Honourable Cadwallader Colden, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Lieutenant Governor in and over the Province of New York, &c.

The Humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany:

May it please your Honor, we the Mayor, Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of Albany now attend your Honor with an Address upon a matter which we conceive to be of the utmost importance to the preservation of the Liberties, Priviledges, Rights & Immunities of our Corporation. The cause of our troubeling your Honor at this time will appear from the following Facts.

Firstly, that by the Royal Charter of King James the Second, dated the twenty-second day of June one thousand seven hundred and eighty-six, the Mayor, Aldermen & Assistants of the City of Albany were Incorporated by the name of the Mayor, Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of Albany.

Secondly, that his said Majestys among other things did in and by the said Royal Charter grant to the said City of Albany & their Successors for ever, that the Mayor, Recorder & Aldermen of the said City shall always be, so long as they shall continue in their respective offices, Justice of the Peace for the said County & as such shall and may sit in the Courts of Sessions or County Courts & Courts of Oyer & Terminer that shall from time to time be held & kept in the said County.

Thirdly, that in the late Commission of Oyer & Terminer & General Goal Delivery for the County of Albany, dated the 25th of May last only two of the members of the said Corporation are named, we therefore flatter ourselves that the omission of the names of so many of the members of our Corporation in the last Commission of Oyer & Terminer & General Goal Delivery for the County of Albany arose rather from a mistake in the Clerks at the Public Offices than from design, however least the same should pass into a President we have taken the earliest opportunity to represent the matter to your Honor, and to desire that you will give directions to the proper Officers that such mistake may be avoided for the future.

We assure your Honor that our Duty as Guardians of the Liberties, Priviledges, Franchises, Rights and Immunities of this Corporation is the only motive that has induced us to give your Honor the Trouble of this Address.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 13th day of August, 1770.

The following is an Answer of the Lieutenant Governor Colden to the Corporation an Address of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany complaining that all, except two of the members of their Corporation (who by the Charter have Seats in the Court of Oyer and Terminer for the County of Albany), were omitted in the last Commission of Oyer & Terminer for the County, having been presented to the Lieutenant Governor by Mr. Ten Eyck the Governor was pleased to declare in answer thereto that he had not given any particular directions whatsoever relative to the last Commission of Oyer & Terminer for the County of Albany. That when he sealed the Commission he did suppose & made no doubt it was in the usual term, that he is very sorry it was otherwise; & believes it solely owing to an omission of the Clerks, nothing being more remote from the Lieutenant Governors intentions then to do any thing prejudicial to the Liberties, Rights & Priviledges of the City of Albany. August 7th, 1770.

The above Answer to your Address to the Lieutenant Governor Cadwallader Colden, Esq<sup>r</sup>, was delivered by his Honor's own hand to Gentlemen,

Your most obedient, humble Serv<sup>t</sup>,  
Flushing, August 7th, 1770. ANTHONY TEN EYCK.

Resolved that the following Letter be sent to Anthony Ten Eyck at New York :

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Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on Thomas Seeger for six Skipple of wheat.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer sell 200 Skipple of wheat at 4 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Skipple to pay Leavy Pease £20, for Road out of the first money that comes to his hands; and also to pay John Price & Stephen Van Schaick £80 out of the first money; Treasurer to be served with the above order.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer give a List of such persons as have bought at Vandue & not taken their Deeds for Lotts of Land in the City in order that they may be notified that unless they come & take their Deeds within eight days that they will be dispossessed & the Lotts sold.

Gerrit Van Zante to have 30 Skipple on account.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign a Deed to G V B for the falls at Schoctecock for the term of fifty years in behalf of the Corporation.

Resolved by this Board that Abr<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Abr<sup>m</sup> Cuyler & Messrs. Jn<sup>o</sup> Williams & Guysbert Merselis, Jn<sup>o</sup> G. Lansing & Jn<sup>o</sup> Roorback be appointed a Committee to examine the Treasurers acct<sup>r</sup> & that they give an estimate of the same before the 21st of this month to this Board.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 10th Sept<sup>r</sup>, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Abraham C. Cuyler for £1:11.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 29th Sept<sup>r</sup>, 1770.

This day being appointed by Charter for electing of Aldermen, Assistants & Constables for the said City, the following is the order in which they were elected and returned, viz :

First Ward—Peter Lansing & John Roorback, Aldermen; Jacob J. Roseboom & Gerrit V. Sante, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Assistants; John Wilkerson & Daniel Marshel, Constables.

Second Ward—Abraham C. Cuyler & Guysbert G. Merselis, Aldermen; Corn<sup>s</sup> Van Schelluyne & Jeremiah Van Renselaer, Assistants; Dirck Schuylder & William Regle Constables.

Third Ward—Abr<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, & Abr<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, Aldermen; John G. Lansing & John Ten Broeck, Assistants; Andries Abeel & Cornelius Brewer, Constables.

Henry Bleecker is appointed City Chaimberlain; Thomas Seeger is appointed Marshel; John Wilkerson is appointed High Constable.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Sunday the 14th day of October, 1770.

This being the day appointed by Charter for qualifying the yearly officers, &c<sup>n</sup>,

Mr. Abraham C. Cuyler, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission under the Great Seal of the Province of New York, appointing him Mayor & Clerk of the



Market of the City of Albany & Coroner of the City & County of Albany and took the Oaths appointed by Law.

Mr. Henry Ten Eyck, Jun<sup>r</sup>, produces a Commission under the Great Seal of the Province of New York, appointing him High Sheriff of the City & County of Albany & was sworn to the duty of his office.

Peter Lansingh & John Roorback, Aldermen for the first ward.

Jacob Roseboom, Jun<sup>r</sup>, & Gerrit Van Sante, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ass<sup>s</sup> for D<sup>o</sup>.

John Wilkerson & Daniel Marchel, Constables for D<sup>o</sup>.

Guysbert G. Merselis, one of the Aldermen for the second ward.

Jeremiah V. Renselaer & Cornelius V. Schelluyne, Ass<sup>s</sup> for D<sup>o</sup>.

William Regle, Constable for D<sup>o</sup>.

Abr<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, & Abr<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, Aldermen for the third ward.

John G. Lansing, Ass<sup>s</sup> for D<sup>o</sup>.

Andries Abeel & Cornelius Brewer, Constables for Do.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 15th day of October, 1770.

Whereas Abraham C. Cuyler was returned as one of the Aldermen for the second ward & produced a Commission appointing him the present Mayor of the City of Albany and Clerk of the Market & Coroner of the City & County of Albany, and the second ward stands unrepresented for an Alderman,

Resolved by this Board that the election for electing of one Alderman for the said second ward be held to Morrow at one of the clock in the afternoon by the Alderman of the ward and that he make his return thereof.

Resolved unanimously that for the future the whole Board set regularly at the table according to the Regulations put up by the Members of the Board now in Common Council assembly.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 5th November, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Joseph I. Yates as Overseer of the City night watch the sum of fifty pounds New York currency out of the Monies in his hands to pay the watch men of.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Radclif for five pounds for ringing the Bell for the last year, first deduction the payment already made by you to him.

This Board appointed Alderman Roorback and Alderman Yates and Mr. Renselaer to be a Committe to draw up an Address to be presented to the Governor.

Be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany in Common Council Assembled, that the Men for the time being shall for the time herein after limited ferry all Cattle from Greenbush.

John R. Bleecker, Esq<sup>r</sup>, being sworn as a Alderman for the City of Alby.

John Ten Broeck being sworn as a Common Council.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on Friday the 10th of November, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the following acc<sup>s</sup> be allowed :

Phip V. Vactens	£5: 0	John Radcliff,	£0:16
Own Bennets,	0:16		

Resolved by this Board that the following Address be presented to his Excellency the Governor, to be forwarded by the Mayor to Whitehead Hicks, Esq<sup>r</sup>, at New York.

To his Excellency the Right Honorable John, Earl of Dunmore, Captain General & Governor in Chief in and over the Province of New York and the Territories depending thereon in America, Chancellor & Vice Admiral of the same, &c<sup>a</sup>, &c<sup>a</sup>.

May it please your Lordship, we his Majesty's most dutifull & loyal subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen & Comonalty of the City of Albany in Common Council conveyed, beg leave to congratulate your Lordship on your safe arrival to this Government to the cheif Comand of which our most gracious Sovereign hath been pleased to appoint you.

The City of Albany my Lord, the most ancient Settlement of this Corporation in this Colony would be wanting in Gratitude of Duty if we did not embrace the earliest oppurtunity of assuring your Lordship of our best Effections to our most gracious Sovereign in appointing a person of our Lord ship elevated station & rank to presende over us. The Honour his Majesty's has thereby considered on us together with your Lord ship acceptance thereof we hope will be ever deserved & gratefully acknowledged and we make not the least doubt but that the Rights, Privilidges & Immunities of our City as granted by Charter will be inviolable preserved, and your Lordship may rest assured that nothing in our Power shall be wanting to render your administration happy.

By order of Common Council.

Albany, November 9th, 1770.      STEP'N DE LANCEY, C & Clerk.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 21st November, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following Accounts :

Robert Bruce,	£0:16:0	Isaac Fryer,	£1:2:9
Michael Hann,	0:19:0	Benjamin Hilton,	6:5:0

A Petition of Bartholomew Anthony being presented to the Board setting forth for this Board to grant him the Petitioner about one hundred acres of Land at Schatacock to the south of the Saraghtoga Line on the north of the Creek & to the west of Peter Benneways Land. Resolved by this Board that they will grant him the said Petitioner the Land under the same conditions as Peter Benneway has his Land from the Corperation.

This Board appoints Aldermen P. Lansing, Guisbert G. Merselis, Jeremiah Van Renselaer & John G. Lansing, Ass's, as a Committee to draw up all necessary things to be delivered to the City & County Members.

Resolved by this Board that the Clarke draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following Acc<sup>s</sup> :

Gerrit Van Vranke,	£8:0:1	Gerrit A. Lansing,	£0:8:6
Gerrit Van Vanke,	1:4:6		

The following persons being appointed Fire Masters for the ensuing year.

Daniel Husten, Jun<sup>r</sup> & John Hilton for the first ward.

Teunis H. Visher & Peter Schuyler for the second ward.

Elbert Willet & John J. Visher for the third ward.

The Ordinance renewed for making of freeman for the City of Albany. Resolved by this Board that the City Treasurer get 144 Copies of the

City Charter printed in Quarto and that he pay the Costs of printing to the printer out of the Corporation money.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 28th November, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerke draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following Accounts :

Thomas Hun, £0:14:0 Staats Van Santvoort, £6:3:2½

Resolved by unanimously by this Board that the followin Instruction be given to the County members.

A Question being put by the Mayor and the opinion desired to the Board to get an act to oblige John Stevenson, son of the late James Stevenson, Esq<sup>r</sup>, deceased and late Treasurer of this City and County, to render an account and deliver the Books of this City and County Treasurer into the Hands of the Supervisors for the time being with the money due thereon. Carried in the affirmative.

For the Affirmative, the whole Board except P. Lansing.

Resolved by this Board that the above Instructions be given to the County members.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Friday the 7th Dec<sup>r</sup>, 1770—Present, Abraham C. Cuyler, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Mayor, John Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, Abr<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Guisbert G. Marselis, Abr<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, John R. Bleecker, John Roorbach, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Aldermen ; Jacob Roseboom, Gerrit Van Sante, Ju<sup>r</sup>, Corn<sup>s</sup> Van Schelluyne, Jer<sup>s</sup> Van Renselaer, John Ten Broeck, John G. Lansing, Assistants.

This Board being informed that some people near Schatacoock have cut several Saw Loggs and other Timber within the Bounds of Schacticoock and without leave of this Board,

Resolved by this Board that Aldermen Bleecker and Marselis and Mr. Van Renselaer, or any two of them, be appointed a Committe and go to Schacticoock with all convenient speed and have the Bounds of the Saraghtoge purchase and the other lines of Schacticoock survey and see if any saw logs are cut within the Bounds of Schacticoock, and that they take all necessary steps on behalf of this Board and make report accordingly.

This Board Resolved to recommend Jeremiah Van Renselaer to be the Inspector of Pot and Pearl ash. This Board Resolves to recommend John H. Roseboom of the City of Albany, Baker, to be the Inspector of Flower.

Resolved by this Board that an Act be passed for raising the sum of £250 by Tax upon the Estate real and personal lying and between within the said City.

Mr. Douw the late Mayor produces an account of freedoms and other perquisites whereby their remains a Balance in favour £85:18:5½ coming to this Board. Resolved that he pay the same to the City Treasurer.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 11th December, 1770.

Resolved unanimously by this Board. that all persons that are any way indebted to this Board by bond, note or book Debt are desired to pay the

same on or before the first of January next and that an advertisement be put up accordingly or else it will be put in the hands of an attorney.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 17th of Dec<sup>r</sup>, 1770.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order to pay the following acct to Luykas Hogeckerk for £8.

This Board being informed that Dirck Van Veghten, Henry Van Beuren, — Viele, Peter Yates, Dirck Van Veghten the younger on the land at Schacticoek have cut several saw logs, and John Hansen, Carol Toll, Cornelius W. Van Denbergh and Wynant Van denbergh have also cut saw logs at Schacticoek on the land claimed by the Corporation.

This Board have appointed Aldermen Marselis and Mr. John G. Lansing to go to Schacticoek with two able hands and are to get all the saw logs rid away or cut to peeces if they will not agree with the said Committe in behalf of this Board and this Board agrees to pay all the expences attending the said Committe.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on Thursday the 3d of January, 1771.

John Fosters acc<sup>t</sup> allowed, £1:16.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk copy the following lett<sup>r</sup> and send it Mr. Ten Eyck and sign it in behalf of the Corporation.

We are apprehensive that at some future election for Representatives for the City & County of Albany it may be intended upon that the free holders having estates in the Manors of Renselaer and Livingston and the Township of Schonectady will intend to vote for the two Members for the City and County of Albany which appears to us to be unreasonable and should it be attempted might be attended with a great deal of Disinstance, we therefore desire you to move of Representatives for an act to have it explained and that those freeholders unless they have freehold in the County exclusive of their lying in the said Manor Township may be precluded from having votes or elections for Representatives for the said City and County; it might also be of service could it be provided for, that the Inhabitants living to the north of Betton Kill (by a former said to the uppermost Bounds of the County of Albany) be by act obliged to chuse Assessors of City Taxes which now do not.

• This Board having taken in consideration the Petition of Anthony Ryler agree to let him have the House and Lott wherein Adam Dornbergh lives for £3:4 a year, beginning the first of April next, to pay one half the rent down and the remainder at the expiration of the year.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on Tuesday the 22d January, 1771.

Allowed John N. Bleeckers acct<sup>s</sup>, £1:2.

James Albets acct<sup>r</sup> for mending y<sup>e</sup> Clock allowed £4:11.

This day agreed with Ja<sup>s</sup> J. Albet to keep the Town Clock in order for £6 <sup>⁹</sup>/<sub>12</sub> annum.

The Board having in consideration the willfullness of having a Bridge near the fall of the Cahoes or thereabout come to the following Resolution:

Resolved that is the unanimous opinion of this Board that it is practicable to be done, & that considering the Inconveniencies the Inhabitants and

Travellers are under at certain Seasons of the year, we conceive that it will be of great use to have a bridge about that place & well worthy the Legislators considerations.

Ordered that the Clerk of this Board enclose a Copy of this Resolution in a Letter to the Members for the County of Albany. We the Mayor, Aldermen & Comonalty of the City of Albany do certify and declare that we conceive that the erecting of a Bridge below the Cahos will greatly tend for the benefit & conveniency of the publick & will in particular encourage the Settlements to the Northward of the said Bridge.

Alderman Lansing moves this Board that the Doors be kept open agreeable to regulations, which the Board agree to and appoint Mr. Peter Lansing, Jeremiah Van Renselaer & John G. Lansingh a Com<sup>ee</sup> to fix upon the same Regulations and that they make a report by next meeting.

On motion of Mr. Alderman Bleecker it is Resolved by this Board that the first Monday in February next is appointed for receiving of acct<sup>s</sup> and so Quarterly, and that no acct<sup>s</sup> will be received at any other times or meetings.

On motion of the Mayor it is resolved that no person leave the room without liberty.

Resolved that Mr. Henry Bleecker, Chamberlain, deliver an acc<sup>t</sup> current to this Board at their next Meeting and that he also brings a list of the debts due to the City.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 4th Febr<sup>y</sup>, 1771.

The Comitte appointed by the Corporation the 22d day of January, 1770, report to the Board that they have according to resolution of s<sup>d</sup> Board examined the book of acc<sup>ts</sup>, rents rolls, &c<sup>s</sup>, and find them as follows: that there is balance due from the City Chamberlain in favour of the Corporation to the twenty-seventh of Sept<sup>r</sup>, 1770, the sum of £13:16:8½, and that there is due to this Board from sundry persons as <sup>of</sup> acc<sup>t</sup> the sum of £737:17:6½, 1196 Schipple of wheat, 79 fowls, and in store 317 Schipple of wheat; and the Committe in looking over said acc<sup>ts</sup> of the City Chamberlain find that there is due to different people the sum of £248:18:2.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor be one of the Committee, that he in behalf of this Board certify the said settlement in the City Chamberlains book.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Flansbergh for £5:5 for hay for keeping the Town bulls.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the City Chamberlain to pay the following acc<sup>ts</sup>:

Robert Bruys for	£1: 4:0	Killyan Winne	£6:1:6
John McDonald for	1:16:0	Jeremiah Van Renselaer	4:5:6
Peter Hilton for	0:10:0	John G. Lansing	3:4:0
Killyan Winne for	0:18:0	John Jacob Lansing	1:1:3
John Wilkerson & Daniel Marshall,	0:12:0.		

Resolved by this Board that Gerrit Van Sante, Jun<sup>r</sup>, and Jacob Roseboom be Committee to get a new well made near the Widow of William Fryer, deceased, and charge the same to this Board.

Resolved by this Board that the Aldermen and Ass<sup>ts</sup> of the second ward get the Pumps and Sisterns made in the s<sup>d</sup> ward and charge the same to the Corporation.

On a Debate whether seniority in office or in years is to be preferred in setting at the Board, the Question was put:

Six for seniority in years. Five for sen'y in office.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seeger £15 in a year for services of Marshel.

Resolved by this Board that a Warrent be issued to the Assessors for to assess and lay a Tax upon the estate real and personal of all and the free holders, freeman, inhabitants, residents and sojourners lying and being within the said City for raying a sum not exceeding the £250 for to defray the expence of a City night watch.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor attend the Supervisors at their next setting to treat with them about the maintenance of the Publick Whipper at £25  $\text{p}$  annum.

At a Comon Council held this 22d day of Febr'y, 1771.

Mr. John G. Lansing produce a Letter from Simon Van Antwerp informing that he is sued for cutting the Logs of Cor<sup>s</sup> Van Den Bergh by order of this Board.

Resolved that the said Gusbert Marselis and John G. Lansing fee P. W. Yates to assist them and that they repair to the Justice who sued said Simon, and gave in a Plea of Justification and Title in the name of this Board, and if required to enter in Recognizance to maintain their right or take such other steps as they shall juge necessary.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on Thursday the 28th of February, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk give an order on the Treasurer in favour of Joseph I. Yates for £28:19:6.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw a warrant and give it to the Collector for collecting the money for the City watch.

Resolved by this Board that Henry Bleecker, Cham<sup>er</sup>lain, be appointed to receive and pay out the money collected for the City watch without any fee or reward.

Resolved that the Clerk give an order to Thomas Seeger & John Radly for a bag of wheat each.

A Petition of Peter Winne of Schactiicoek for about twenty acres of Lan<sup>d</sup> being laid before this Board it is resolved that the same be taken in consideration at the next Meeting.

Resolved that P. Lansing, John Roorbach, Gar<sup>t</sup> Van Sante and Jacob Roseboom be appointed a Committee for examining the Records for Title Ground now posses<sup>d</sup> by sundry people.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 14th March, 1771—Present, the Mayor, John Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, Peter Lansing, John Roorbach, Abr<sup>m</sup> Ten Broeck, Guysbert Merselis, Ju<sup>r</sup>, Abr<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Jacob Roseboom, Gerrit Van Sante, Jeremiah V. Renselaer, Cor<sup>s</sup> N. Scherluyne, John G. Lansing, John Ten Broeck.

A Petition of John Davis of the City of Albany, in the following manner.

Resolved that the same be taken in consideration.

Resolved by this Board that the four several Docks belonging to this Board be sold at Publick Van Due on Saturday the sixteenth ins<sup>t</sup> at ten

of the Clock in the Morning and that an advertisement be put up accordingly.

A Petition of Elisha Benedict being presented to the Board and read requesting this Board for to appoint him Marshel, which this Board takes into consideration.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Readteliff for three Schipple of wheat for attending this Board as Marshell.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign a Deed to the Rector, Inhabitants of the City of Albany in the County of Albany in Communion of the Church of England as by Law established, and that the City Seal be affixed to the same.

On a Debate whether seniority in office or years is to be preferred in setting at the Board, the Question being put :

For Seniority in office.          6 For Seniority in years.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 16th March, 1771.

This day was sold at Publick Vandue to the highest bidder the four several Docks belonging to this Corporation, to John Price for the consideration of eighty pounds to the first day of January, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that John Davis have a Lott to the south end of Kilbes store of thirty foot front for fifteen years, with a Quit rent of six shillings yearly.

No Veal to be sold the Hind Quarter of which does not weigh 10lb, under the penalty of 10s. for any Quarter; all Veal above 10 and less than 12lb the hind Quarter to be sold at three pence; from 12 to 14 to be sold at 4d; from 14 and under 16lb for 4½; from 16lb and upwards at 5d a lb.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 2d April, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk is to draw an order on the Treasurer that he is to sell one hundred Skipple of the City wheat at 4s. 6d ¾ Skipple and he is not to sell more then three Skipple to one person.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seeger for three Skipple of wheat on account.

Resolved by this Board that a Letter be sent to William Prenturp for to come down and agree with the Corporation if he can undertake to bring live Salmon into Hudsons River.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Joseph I. Yates as Overseer of the City night watch for the sum of £57 out of the money in his hands for defraying the charge of the watch.

Resolved by this Board that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Jeremiah Van Renselaer, John G. Lansing & Gerrit Van Sante, Jun<sup>r</sup>, be a Committee to draw proposals for to keep the City night watch more regular, and also for to have lamps fixt in this City and that they give in their proposals next meeting.

Resolved by this Board that Aldermen Yates, Roorbach and Merselis be a Committee to examine the new Printed Charter with the original one and make report to this Board next meeting.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the Council Chamber in the City Hall of the said City on Friday the 5th April, 1771.

An Ordinance for the obtaining Cullers of Staves, Heading and Hoops, its unanimously agreed that Peter Jones, Isaac Verplanck & Patrick Farguson are appointed to that office.

Resolved by this Board that the money raised by a Tax for establishing a regular night watch, and the present manner of watching is thought not to be so good as it will be if the City is furnished with 20 lamps to be placed at convenient places, and that six persons be appointed, two of which are to watch every 3d night according to the Regulations drawn up, it is resolved that Mr. John G. Lansing shall get the same made & set up.

This Board have appointed William Van Sante, Benjamin Hilton, Cornelius Van Deusen, Direk Schuyler, Peter Veeder & Obadiah Cooper to be the watchmen for the City of Albany according to the following Ordinance.

This Board have appointed Aldermen Roorbach & Merselis & Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Ten Broeck to be a Committee to draw up an Ordinance for culling of Staves.

Resolved by this Board that three feet to the north end of the Mason Lodge be granted to Samuel Stringer for the consideration of and that a Deed be drawn for the same in behalf of the Corporation and that the City Seal be affixed for the same.

The Assize of Bread. A white Loaf of the finest Flower to weigh one pound ten oz. for four Coppers; D<sup>o</sup> of D<sup>o</sup> to weigh 12 oz. for two Coppers.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 11th day of April, 1771.

A Law to appoint and regulate the culling of Staves, Heading and Hoops.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 25 April, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Flansburgh for twelve shillings and four pence for feed for the Bulls.

Resolved by this Board that Alderman Roorbach, Mess<sup>rs</sup> John G. Lansing, Gerrit Van Sante, Jun<sup>r</sup>, be a Committe to get Timber for Post for the north ends of the three Docks for to keep the Ground of the three several Docks of this Corporation.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 5th May, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer sell 150 Skipple of the City wheat at 4s. 6d  $\frac{3}{4}$  Skipple and not to sell more than three Skipple to one person.

Resolved by this Board that Bastian Visher have the Road made leading from this City to Sandbergh according to agreement on or before tenth day of this instant.

Resolved by this Board that the City Chaimberlain furnish each of the Members of this Board with one of the printed Copies of this City Charter.



At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Friday the 10th of May, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts:

Guysbért Merselis, Jun <sup>r</sup> , for	£9:15:9	Barent Ten Eyck,	£33:15:0
Dirck Wool for	0: 6:0	Adrian Bradt,	1: 4:0
John De Peyster,	1: 0:0	Simon Van Antwerp,	1: 2:0
Wilhelmus V. Antwerpe,	2:12:6	John Waters,	2: 0:0
Casparus Pruyn,	5: 9:3	James Young,	1: 5:0

Resolved by this Board that an advertisement be put up that all persons who are any way indebted to this Corporation by bond, note or book Debt, or any way indebted for Ground bought at Publick Vandue or for rent are desired to make payment on or before the 18th day of this ins<sup>t</sup>, or else the City Chaimberlain is ordered to put in their different accounts in the hands of all the Attorneys to be equally divided without any farther notice.

One Bag of wheat for Thomas Seeger.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 16th May, 1771.

White Loaf of finest flower to weigh 1lb 8 oz. for four Coppers.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Comfort Severs for £4:4. D<sup>o</sup> in favour of James Marr, £1. D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Michael Waggoner, 9s.

Resolved by this Board that Gerrit Van Sante, Jun<sup>r</sup>, have a swingle and ploe made with the Iron work to the well on the Gallows hill and charge the same to this Board.

Resolved by this Board that the Measurment take from the west side of the Dutch Church to have the Mile Stones fixed to the half way House.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer sell one hundred Skipple of the City wheat at 4s. 6d  $\frac{2}{3}$  Skipple and not let one have more then three Skipple to one person.

At a Common Council held for City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 3d June, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John G. Lansing, to pay the Expence out of the Monies in hands for £27:2:10. One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Abraham W. De Peyster for £1:7.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Patrick Clarke for £5:11:3.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Patrick Clerk for £19:19 out of the Monies in your hands to pay the Expence of the City night watch.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk furnish the City Chaimberlain with the Copy of the Minutes of Comon Council of the Quit rent of the House Lots sold at Gallows Hill.

Resolved by this Board that a Deed be given to George Wray for Lott N<sup>o</sup> 7, lying in Foxes Creek, and that the City seal be affixed to the same upon condition that the rent of the last six years be paid to the City Chaimberlain and that the Mayor sign the same.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to sell all the City wheat to the Inhabitants at 4s. 6d, and not to let one person have more than one Skipple at a time.

Ordinance renewed at kind of Meat to except Veal to be sold by weight and at the prizes following :

Every lb of beef, mutton or lamb at five pence ; every head & pluck of a calf at 1s. 6d ; every head & pluck of a sheep at 9d ; D<sup>o</sup> lamb 6d.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on Saturday the 8th of June, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that the Sweep, Michael Waggoner, light and clear the City Lamps at the rate of 25s. 7<sup>8</sup> month.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 17th of June, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that the Market standing in the street between the two Churches be taken down and made an addition to the other Market and that the members of the third ward agree with some person or persons to move the same.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 25th June, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that Henry Bleecker, Chaimberlain, attend this Board with the City Charter and that he be served with a Copy hereof.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor or Aldermen Yates & Ten Broeck be a Committee to wait on the Judges of the Supreme Court & Court of Oyer & Terminer and inform to them that the Mayor, Recorder and six Aldermen do intend to set as Judges in the Court of Oyer & Terminer this day to be opened and held in this City Hall by virtue of the City Charter.

At a Common Council held the 27th of June, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that Aldermen Yates, Merselis & Roorbach be a Committee to peruse and collect all the Transactions which may tend elustrate of the City to set in the Courts of Oyer & Terminer and the Clerk is also hereby directed to supply them with such Books & Records as they shall have occasion for and draw up a proper state thereof & make report thereof to the Comon Council.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 3d July, 1771.

The Ordinance renewed for selling Meat by weight and at the prizes following, except Veal.

Every lb of Beef, Veal, Mutton or Lamb at four pence.

Every head & pluck of a Calf, one shilling & six pence.

Every head & pluck of a Sheep, nine pence.

Every head & pluck of a Lamb, six pence.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of James Bloodgood for £11:6:3, being the balance of his account.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Henry I. Bogert for £4:1.



Petitioner humbly prays that your Worships will be pleased to grant him said lot on such Terms as in your wisdom shall seem meet and equitable. And your Petitioner shall (as in duty bound) ever Pray, &c.

Albany, August 6th, 1771.

JOHN G. LANSING.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on Wednesday the 11th of September, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the City Chamberlain to pay the following Accounts :

Hanna Fryer for	£3: 3-0	Jacobus Van Valkenburgh,	£1: 3:0
Taukel Merselis for	6:16:0	Noah Payn for	10:13:6
John V <sup>o</sup> Douw for	0:17:6	Jacobus Van Valkenburgh,	0:42:6
Richard Hatton for	3: 5:3	James Marr,	1:12:0
Angus Mattenson for	2:16:0	John G. Lansingh for	22: 2:7
Daniel Huston for	3: 2:0		

Resolved by this Board that John Monier remove his hay out of the Hospital in twenty-four hours from this.

Resolved by this Board that Samuel Stringers Petition for part of the Hospital be granted.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk prepare the Lease and counter parts of John Davis & John G. Lansing.

Resolved by this Board that the Petition of John Trotter, Jun<sup>r</sup>, praying for a vacant Lot lying next to the Storehouse of Volckert P. Douw be granted in manner as it shall be measured by the members of the first ward, what measurement shall be returned in to next Common Council for the Term of 15 years at 10s.  $\frac{3}{4}$  annum.

Allowed the Account of Michael Wagoner for Candelis & lighting the Lamps, £3:18:9.

It is agreed that the Lampliter is to have £3:15:0 Quarterly; and two shillings for Candles, 2s., and that he Quarterly swears the Oath indorsed upon his present acc<sup>t</sup>. Here add the Oath as on the Account.

Michael Wagoner being sworn upon his Oath says that the above acc<sup>t</sup> is Just & True, and further upon his Oath says that he has not willfully wasted or any of their Oil supplied him to light the lamps, and he does not believe that it has been done by any of his family or any body else by his or their procurement except the Oil burned in their own Lamp.

Resolved by this Board that the Petition of Nicholas Groesbeeck praying Liberty of cutting saw logs in the City right be granted, he paying 1s.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Piece, the number to be sworn to by him.

Mr. De Lancey is to serve John Monier with a written order to remove his hay agreeable to the Resolution.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on Saturday the 29th of September, 1771.

Whereas the Ordinance formerly made by the Mayor, Aldermen & Comonalty of this City for electing two Constables for each ward of this City is expired of its own limitation, it is hereby ordered by the Mayor, Aldermen & Comonalty of this City that on to morrow shall be chosen in each ward two petty Constables of which the Aldermen in each ward or any of them shall make their return with the rest of the City officers.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on Sunday the 29th day of Sep<sup>r</sup>, 1771.

This day being appointed by Charter for electing the different officers for this City the following persons were elected :

First Ward—Peter Lansing & Peter Silvester, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, Aldermen ; Jacob Roseboom & Myndert Roseboom, Assistants ; John Wilkerson & Luke Cassaday, Constables.

Second Ward—Guysbert Merselis & Robert Yates, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, Aldermen ; Jeremiah V. Renselaer & Corn<sup>s</sup> Van Schelluyne, Assistants ; William Regle & James Smith, Constables.

Third Ward—Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, & John Ten Broeck, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, Aldermen ; Isaac Deforest & Abraham Ten Eyck, Assistants ; Barnardus Evertson & Hendrick V. Hoesen, Constables.

William Regle is appointed by this Board as High Constable.

Resolved by this Board that Henry Bleecker be appointed City Chaimberlain, he first given Bonds for the due performance of the same.

Thomas Seeger is appointed Marshel.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 14th day of October, 1771.

This being the day appointed by Charter for qualifying the yearly officers,

Abraham C. Cuyler, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him Mayor of the City & Clerk of the Market & Coroner of the City & County of Albany.

Henry Ten Eyck, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him High Sheriff for the City & County of Albany & was sworn in the due execution of his office.

Peter Lansingh & Peter Silvester, Aldermen for the first ward.

Guysbert G. Merselis, D<sup>o</sup> for the second ward.

Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, & John Ten Broeck, D<sup>o</sup> for the third ward.

Myndert Roseboom, Ass<sup>t</sup> for the first ward.

Jeremiah Van Renselaer, Cornelius V. Scheluyne, D<sup>o</sup> for the 2d ward.

Abraham Ten Eyck, Isaac Deforest, D<sup>o</sup> for the third ward.

William Regal, High Constable.

John Wilkeson & James Smith, Constables for the first ward.

Robert McClallen, Peter Gansevoort, Anthony B. Bratt, Benjamin Egberts, Jacob J. Bleecker, Jacob J. Cuyler, Martin Beekman, Hendrick Merselis, appointed by this Board firemen.

Resolved by this Board that Peter Lansing send for one hundred & fifty Gallons Lamp Oyl.

Resolved that the watchmen be paid for the three months.

Whereas a Point conceived to be of much consequence to the Liberties & Prevelidges of the People in the City & County of Albany respecting the Right of the Mayor, Recorder & Aldermen of the City of Albany, by vertue of the Charter to set as Judges in the Court of Oyer & Terminer & General Goal Delivery of the said County has been lately agitated & drawn in question, and it is thought to be now a seasonable time to take the necessary Measures for determining the Matter & to impower a proper person of this Board to manage & solicit the said business.

Resolved therefore that Alderman Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates, Esq<sup>r</sup>, be appointed & he is hereby authorized & appointed accordingly to repair to New York with

all convenient speed and to take with him Charters and all other necessary Papers to be distributed and laid before the Council already retained by this Corporation on the subject, and he is hereby directed to follow such Advice as he shall receive of them in order to secure the Privilege aforesaid, and he is also further impowred to serch the Records, private & publick at New York, and to take such Copies & Abstracts therefrom as may be thought usefull on this occasion & for all his Disbursements & Servises he is to be repaid & satisfied & soon after his return he is to make report to this Board of his actings & doings herein.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 11th Nov<sup>r</sup>, 1771.

Robert Yates, Esq<sup>r</sup>, quallified as Alderman for the second ward.

Jacob Roseboom as Common Council for the first ward.

A Petition from the Inhabitants of Balls Town to this Board praying their assistance to make a road from said Town to this City being read,

Resolved by this Board that the Petition from Balls Town be taken in farther consideration at the next meeting.

A Petition of Simon Schermerhorn praying for a Lease of a Quantity of Land about one mile square at the south west corner of the Corporations Right lying to the westward of this City being read,

Resolved by this Board that the Petition of Simon Schermerhorn be granted as shall be agreed on hereafter.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the following acc<sup>t</sup>, one D<sup>r</sup> in favour of Jacobus Van Valkenburgh for riding stone, £3:15.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw Advertisements to sell 2 Lots adjoining Jacob Van Schaack, Q<sup>r</sup>, each 30 feet 6 inches in front, in length according to John R. Bleeckers map the twentyeth day of November, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay John Readtcliff a years Salery for Bell ringing, deducting what he owes.

The following persons where appointed by this Board as firemasters :

William Hilton & Mathew Watson for the first ward.

Gerrit A. Roseboom & Philip Van Renselaer for the second ward.

Peter Gansevoort & Marte Beekman, Ju<sup>r</sup>, for the third ward.

Then the Court adjourned untill fortnight.

At a Comon Council held for the City of Albany on Wednesday the 20th day of November, 1771.

A Petition of John Christopher Hartwick, praying for a room in the Hospital till next Spring being read, it was Resolved by this Board the same be granted.

A Petition of Lewis Van Antwerp, praying for a piece of vacant Ground or Land at Schacticoek being read, Resolved that the same may be taken in farther consideration.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay Cornelius Wendell 19 for the Oyl & freight.

Resolved by this Board that the following Ordinance be published, viz :

A Law for the better securing of the City of Albany from the danger of Gun Powder.

Mr. James Baen is appointed by this Board as Overseer of the Powder House under the regulations of said Ordinance.

At Common Council held on Thursday the 12th day of Decr, 1771—Present, Abraham C. Cuyler, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Mayor, John H. Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, Peter Lansingh, Guysbert Merselis; Peter Silvester, Rob<sup>t</sup> Yates, John Ten Broeck, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Esq<sup>r</sup>\*, Aldermen, Jeremiah V. Renselaer, Jacob Roseboom, Isaac Deforeest, Cor<sup>s</sup> Van Schellyne, Abraham Ten Eyck, Myndert Roseboom, Esq<sup>r</sup>\*, Assistants.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following Accounts :

- One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of John Burges for £7:16:10.
- One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Nicholas Brower for £12:15:1.
- One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Owen Linch, John Hall & Richard Phillemore for £4:19.
- One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of James Marr for £2:4.
- One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Jacob Jan Schermerhorn for £2:15.
- One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Elisha Benedict for £1:1.
- One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of William McIntosh for £8:18.

Resolved by this Board that Aldermen Merselis, Peter Lansingh & John Ten Broeck are appointed a Committe to examine the remaining acc<sup>ts</sup> and that they make report to this Board the next Monday.

Resolved by this Board that William Regel, Constable for the second ward is removed out of the City, and is resolved by this Board that there be another Constable elected for the said ward on Monday the 16th day of December, 1771.

Luke Cashady & Hendrick Van Hoesen where sworn in the due execution of their office as Constables and took the Oaths appointed by Law.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 24th December, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following Accounts, viz :

Abr <sup>m</sup> Roseboom for	£92:11:9	Barent Vosburgh for	£4:10: 6
Patrick Clark for	22: 2:6	James Marr for	8: 0: 0
Thomas Lotteredge for	15:6	Daniel Marshall for	11: 8: 4
Jacob Pruin, Jun <sup>r</sup> , for	1: 4:0	Peter Waldrom for	21: 0: 0
Gerret Groesbeeck for	0:15:8	Wessel Van Schaick for	3:10:10
Johannis Quackenboss for	1:16:0	Gerrit Van Vranken for	5: 5:10
Owen Linch & James Marr for	12:0	Peter Dannels for	6: 2: 0
John Foster for	3:15:3	Jacob Lansing for	4:14: 0
James Smith for	2: 4:0	Robert Bruis for	4: 6: 0
Mathew Auter	3: 1:6	Abraham Bogert for	0:15: 0
Abraham S. Veeder for	1:10:0	Patrick Coeny for	7:10: 0
Teunis T. Vischer for	2: 0:0	Mynd <sup>t</sup> Roseboom for	8:17: 2
James Green for	6:15:0	Christian Jacobee for	0:12: 0
John Van Deusen for	1: 8:0	James McMichael for	1: 4: 0
Catharine Van Renselaer for	66: 0:0	Joh <sup>s</sup> Ouderkerk for	5:15: 6
Barent Vosburgh for	20: 5:0	William Stansbury for	2: 2: 0
Richard Hickson for	12:12:0	Tobias Pooder for	0:12: 9
James Smith for	1: 8:0	Jame Abbot for	6: 0: 0
John Brion for	7:12:0	John Price for	11: 3: 0

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor execute the following Deeds & that the City Seal be thereunto affixed.

Corporation to Johannis Pruin, Deed. The same to Adam Yates. The same to Cathalena Grosbeeck. The same to Abr<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Friday the 27th day of Dec<sup>r</sup>, 1771.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk give an order on the Treasurer in favour of Michael Wagoner for £3:18:3.

Barent Bogert being chosen High Constable in the stead of William Regle was sworn in the due execution of his office and took the Oaths appointed by Law.

Hendrick Halenbeeck being sworn in the stead of Barnardus Everse and took the Oaths appointed by Law.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seeger for three Skipple of wheat and charge the same to his account.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 10th of February, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of the watchmen untill the eight day of February is 4 month.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Flansburgh for £3:10.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following Acc<sup>t</sup>:

Edward & Ebenezer Jessup	£1: 2:8	Nicholas Jorelimon for	£2: 2:0
Henry Wendell for	3: 9:0	Isaac Hooghkerk for	30: 5:6
John Ten Broeck for	0:18:6	Lukas Hooghkerk for	36:15:0
Abraham C. Cuyler, Esq <sup>r</sup> ,	34:10:0	Gerrit Roschoom for	1: 7:6
Röeliff Seger for	4: 5:6	Peter Van Deursen for	1:10:0
Thomas Hun for	1:10:6	Chr. P. Yates for	4: 8:0
David Rotney	3:11:6	Bastian J. Visscher for	31: 7:0
Abraham E. Wendell for	5: 7:6	W <sup>m</sup> Staats for	0:15:0
John McKenzie for	1: 9:0	Thomas Seeger for	18:15:0
John N. Bleecker for	4: 0:0		

Poor people that have acct<sup>s</sup> allowed by the Corporation may have a bagg of wheat by order of Common Councill.

Resolved by this Board that Philip De Fraest be Gager of Bushels as well as of Skipples.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 13th February, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seeger for a years Sallery, fifteen pounds, from 29th Sept<sup>r</sup> 1770 to Sept<sup>r</sup> 1771.

Mr. Folliet owes for a Lot of ground and will leave the City of Albany and Mr. Amory will give a Note of hand for the money to the Corporation payable in four months with lawfull Interest, it is Resolved by the Board to accept the said Security for the payment of the said Debt.



Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Tho<sup>s</sup> Shipboy for £2:10:6.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Peter Lansing for £2:16.

The Board having this day rec<sup>d</sup> a Letter of Phil Schuyler, Esq<sup>r</sup>, one of the Representatives, which being read and a draft of an Answer being prepared, Resolved that when the same is copied that the Mayor sign the same in behalf of this Board and send it down.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 9th March, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Docks belonging to the Corporation be sold at Publick Vendue on Friday next at ten o'clock in the morning and that the same be advertised.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following Acc<sup>ts</sup>:

Philip Elsworth for	£15:15:6	Isaac Fryer for	£23:16
Patrick McGregor for	1:12:0	James Dunneway for	1:14
John R. Bleecker for	8: 1:0		

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Friday the 13th March, 1772.

Jacob Van Schaick having presented to this Board a Petition praying a Grant for a vacant square of Ground lying to the eastward of his Lott, it is therefore Resolved by this Board that the prayer of said Petition be granted in the following manner, that a Release be drawn and executed to the Petitioner, his heirs and assigns, for the consideration of 30s. for the breadth of twelve foot adjoining to the East of the Lot which the Petitioner bought of Hubertse with the full breadth of said Lot, and that the remaining part of the said Petition be rejected; the said Peice is granted for the purpose of erecting a Bullwark against the Ice.

The Docks being sold at Publick Vandue for one year to Abraham I. Yates, who being the highest bidder, for seventy-four pounds payable the first day of January next and such security to be given to be approved of by the Corporation for the payment thereof, and the said Abraham I. Yates offering Joseph I. Yates as a Security, ordered that the City Chaimberlain accept of him and that he enter into Bond for that purpose.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Friday the 27th day of March, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Chaimberlain give an acc<sup>t</sup> of what money he has rec<sup>d</sup> and paid, as also an acc<sup>t</sup> of the annual Income of this Corporation arising from the several Rents of Lands, &c., belonging to them, by the next meeting of this Board.

A Law for paving & cleaning the Streets, Lanes and Alleys within the City of Albany and for preventing Neusance within the same.

Resolved by this Board that the same be published and renew<sup>d</sup> for one year, which is done accordingly.

Also Resolved by this Board that a Law for regulating they lying of Vessels at the four several Docks of this City and asserting the rats to be paid for the same, and that the same be published and renewed for one year, which is done accordingly.

Resolved by this Board that an Advertisement be published in the Albany Gazette, requesting all persons who stand indebted to the Corporation to pay the same to the City Chaimberlain on or before the first day of May next and in case of their refusal will be prosecuted for the same.

Resolved by this Board that Ald<sup>n</sup> Silvester and Ald<sup>n</sup> Robert Yates revise the Ordinances, and for that purpose that they may have and take the Books of this Board where the same is entered.

This Board having taken into consideration the present scarcity of Provisions in this City, owing in a great measure to the Misrepresentations of some evil designed Persons, it is therefore resolved that the Advertisement be published and dispersed through the County in the following manner :

Whereas it has been reported to the Disadvantages of the Citizens of this City that the Corporation had passed a Law that no Strangers should bring in any Cattle to Market to kill and dispose thereof, this is therefore to sexnify that there is no such Law and that they are at Liberty to bring in what Cattle or other provision they pleas, and if good they will meet with the usual encouragement in selling by the Quarter, and that the Clerk of this Board sign the same by order of this Board.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw a Warrant for the Assessors, to assess the sum of £150 for the City Night watch and the Expence of lighting the Lamps erected in this City.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor of this City sign the Deed of Jacob Van Schaick and that the City Seal be thereunto affixed.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Thomas Seeger and charge the same to his account.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 6th April, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw a Warrent for the Collector to collect the sum of £150 for the City Night watch and lamps.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the City Chaimberlain to the following Accounts, viz :

Staats Van Santvoort for	£9:3:11	Jacob Hilton for	£7:9:0
Abraham Douw for	0:8:6	John Roorback for	7:3:6

Resolved by this Board that the Collector find surety for his true performance for collecting the sum not exceeding £150 for the City Night watch and Lamps.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 15th day of April, 1772.

An Ordinance for regulating the Market of different sorts of Meat was passed and published this day.

Also an Ordinance for regulating of Carts and Cartman was passed and published this day.

Resolved by this Board that the City Chaimberlain sell one hundred Skipple of the City wheat at 5s.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Skipple, and no more than three Skipple to one person.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of James Taylor for £10:7.

This Board appointed Jellis Winne a watchman in the room of Obadiah Cooper.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Luykas Hooghkerk & his son for three Skipple of wheat each.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 22d day of April, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the City Chaimberlain in favour of Killyan Winne for £6:17:9.

Resolved by this Board that the watchmen be paid to the eight day of April.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Wilkeson for 10s.

An Ordinance regulating the City Night watch is renewed this day.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany on Friday the 1st of May, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the City Chaimberlain put in the hands of the Atty: of this City the several acc<sup>ts</sup>, dues and demands of the Corporation in order that the same may be immediately prosecuted.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk make a Return of the names of the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen of this City and send the same to Mr. Banyar the Province Secretary at New York.

Resolved by this Board that Gar<sup>t</sup> Van Sants acct of £13:15:10, be allowed.

Bastian Tymense appeared before this Board and affirmed on Oath that he was totally ignorant of the Clause in the Deed of his wifes Grand Father Isaac Ouderkerk, whereby he or his heirs or assigns were agreed with this Board to give the Refusal of the sale of those Lands granted by the said Deed to this Board, and it also appeared that he had sold those Lands without giving this Board the offer of said Lands, and the Board having enterd into the Composition with him for the Breach of said agreement have accepted from him a Note for £3:4, payable January next.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Friday the 29th May, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the City Chaimberlain in favour of Michael Waggoner for £1:8.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the City Chaimberlain in favour of Thomas Seeger for three Skipple of wheat and charge the same to his account.

Resolved by this Board that an Ordinance was published the 15 day of April last for Beef, Mutton and Lamb, continue the prices from this day untill the nineteenth day of June, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that John Davis remove his Barn that stands to the south of his house within one month from this date.

Resolved by this Board that Sybrant V. Shaick remove his fence out of the street on the Gallows Hill within one month from this date.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 6th day of June, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the following Acc<sup>ts</sup> be allowed.

One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Jacob Bleecker, Jun <sup>r</sup> , for	£3:12
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of John Wyngaert for	0: 5

Resolved by this Board that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Mynd<sup>r</sup> Roseboom & Abraham Ten Eyck be a Committe to see at the Treasury wether there is any acc<sup>t</sup> due to Peter Benneway or no, if there is to deliver the same to the Board and to be allowed. Also an acc<sup>t</sup> of the Estate of Mr. Dirck Ten Broeck.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 13th June, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Jacob F. Lansingh for £5 for a Bull.

A Petition being presented to this Board for making a Road leading from the City of Albany through Stephen Town, Pittsfield & Lansburgh.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 2d July, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the City Chaumberlain sell two hundred Skipple of wheat at five shillings and six pence  $\frac{2}{3}$  Skipple, and no more than three Skiple to one person.

Resolved by this Mess<sup>rs</sup> Piter Silvester, Rob<sup>t</sup> Yates and Jeremiah Van Renselaer be a Committe to draw an Address to his Excellency on his arrivel.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 18th July, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that his Excellency William Tryon be presented with the freedom of this City in a Golden Box.

Also Resolved that this Board do address his Excellency on his arrival to this City.

At a Common Council held for City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 3d August, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the City Chaumberlain in favour of Richard Cartwright for £18:4:6.

Resolved that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Ald<sup>r</sup> A. Yates, Rob<sup>t</sup> Yates & Jeremiah Van Renselaer or any two of them be a Committe to draw up a state of the Corporation Claim to the lands in the Mohawks Country and that they may have recourse to any papers or vouchers remaining with the Clerk or Chaumberlain of this Corporation for that purpose to be occasionally to be made use of or laid before his Excellency to answer the complaint brought before him ag<sup>t</sup> the Corporation by the Mohawks.

Resolved by this Board that Bastian Visscher leave of making the road any longer from the City Gate to the Sand bergh and that he bring in his acc<sup>t</sup> for one years wages and that it be allowed.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 19th day of August, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders the following Acct<sup>s</sup>, viz :

One D <sup>t</sup> in favour of Robert Lansingh for	£5: 8:10
One D <sup>t</sup> in favour of Jacob Cuyler for	4:19: 0

Resolved by this Board that upon Mr. Yates producing a rough Draft of the state of the case reletive to the Corporations Claim to a seat in the Court of Oyer & Terminer that we cause the same to be copied and sent down for revisal of the Attornies concerned for this Board in New York,

and that he also may retain any one Attorney out of this Province for his Opinion on the said case, and for the last purpose that he draw on the Treasury for any sum not exceeding thirty pounds, and that for the disposition thereof he be accountable to this Board.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 19th Sept', 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John P. Lansing for £1:7.

One D' in favour of Edward Davis for £0:11:6.

A Petition being presented to this Board in favour of John James Abbott, praying for a Lott of Ground in the Foxes Creek as is most convenient, which this Board grants.

Resolved by this Board that John Flansburgh buy two loads of Hay for the City Bulls and charge the same to the Corporation.

Resolved by this Board that Jeremiah V. Renselaer and Gysbert Marselis be a Committe to lay out a Percell of Lots of Ground in the Foxes Creek belonging to this Corporation.

Resolved by this Board that the City Chaimberlain sell the weat that yet remains unsold at 5s. <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Skipple, or that the same be sent down.

Two bags of wheat for Thomas Seeger and charge the same to his acc'.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 26th Sept', 1772.

Resolved by this Board that there be elected three additional Constables in the City of Albany, one in each ward, on Tuesday the 29th September next.

Resolved by this Board that the Lots laid out in the Foxes Creek be sold at Publick Vandue on Saturday the third Day of October next at ten o'clock & that the Clerk draw Advertizements & that the same be put up.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 29th day of September, 1772—Present, the Mayor, John H. Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder, Peter Lansingh, Peter Silvester, Gysbert Marselis, Robert Yates, Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Ten Broeck, Ald<sup>r</sup>; Jacob Roseboom, Mynd<sup>r</sup> Roseboom, Corn<sup>r</sup> Van Scheluyne, Jeremiah V. Renselaer, Isaac De Foreest, Abraham Ten Eyck, Asst<sup>r</sup>.

This day appointed by Charter for the election of Aldermen, Common Council or Assistants & Constables, &c<sup>s</sup>, the following is the order in which they were elected and returned.

First Ward—Gerrit Van Sante & Peter W. Yates, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, Aldermen; Jacob Roseboom & Hend<sup>r</sup> Van Veghten, Common Council; John Wilkeson and Hend<sup>r</sup> Halenbeek, Constables.

Second Ward—Gysbert Marselis and Robert Yates, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, Aldermen; Cornelius V. Schelyne and Jeremiah V. Renselaer, Common Council; William Stansbury and Nicholas Halenbeck, Constables.

Third Ward—Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, and John Ten Broeck, Esq<sup>rs</sup>, Aldermen; Isaac De Foreest and Abraham Ten Eyck, Common Council; John A. Lansingh and Luke Cashady, Constables.

John A. Lansingh appointed High Constable.

By a majority of Votes this Board have appointed Henry Bleecker City Chaimberlain; John Ostrander appointed Marshel.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 3d day of October, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the following acc<sup>ts</sup>:

One in favour of John Beeckman for	- - -	£0:12:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Symon Schermerhorn,	- - -	8: 4:3
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Christ. Yates for	- - -	0: 7:6
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of D <sup>o</sup> for	- - -	0:12:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Adam Yates for	- - -	6:11:9
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Abr <sup>m</sup> H. Wendell for	- - -	10:15:6

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Flansburgh for twelve Skipple of wheat and charge the same to his acc<sup>t</sup>.

This Board are of opinion that the Petition of Abraham Ja. Lansing to his Excellency the Governor for forty feet of Ground will be Detrimentale to the Navigation.

This Board have appointed Hendrick M. Roseboom Overseer of the Powder House in the room of James Bean under the Regulations of said Ordinance.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 14th day of October, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Abraham E. Wendell for - - - - - £3:18:0

One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Edward Davis for	- - - - -	0:11:6
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Takel Marselis for	- - - - -	4:16:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Gerardus Beekman for	- - - - -	0: 3:4
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Peter Lansing for	- - - - -	5:19:9
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of John De Peyster for	- - - - -	1:12:0
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of Isaac D. Fonda for	- - - - -	55: 1:6
One D <sup>o</sup> in favour of John Price, Stephen Van Schaick & Sebastian T. Visscher,	- - - - -	57: 0:0

This being day appointed by Charter for qualifying the yearly officers, viz:

Abraham C. Cuyler, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him Mayor of the City and Clerk of the Market and Coroner for the City & County of Albany and was sworn in the due execution of his office.

Henry Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission appointing him High Sheriff for the City & County of Albany & was sworn in the due execution of his office.

Peter W. Yates, Alderman for the first ward.

Jacob Roseboom and Henry Van Veghten, Common Council for D<sup>o</sup>.

John Wilkeson Constable for D<sup>o</sup>.

Gysbert Marselis and Robert Yates, Aldermen for the second ward.

Cornelius Van Schellyne and Jeremiah V. Renselaer, Common Council for D<sup>o</sup>.

Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup> and John Ten Broeck, Ald<sup>n</sup> for the third ward.

Abraham Ten Eyck and Isaac Deforeest, Common Council for D<sup>o</sup>.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of Peter Lansing for Barrels of Oil and the City Chaimberlain advance £16:5 for the same.

Whereas this Board have this day at the request of Mr. Anthony Van Schaick taken into consideration an order of the Governor & Council made the first July last respecting a Petition of Ab<sup>m</sup> Ja. Lansing for a grant for about 40 feet in Hudsons River from the waters Edge the length of his land on said River. Whereupon it is considered by this Board that such grant will clash with the Interest of this City and the Publick and by obstructing the natural Channel of the River and the Business of Rafting of Wood and Timber down said River.

Resolved by this Board that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Van Schelluyne and Roseboom be a Committe to settle acct<sup>s</sup> with Mr. Bain respecting the Powder lodged in the Powder House, that his Legle charges for the same is taken from his acct<sup>s</sup>, £3:11.

That this Board in consideration of Mr. Bains extraordinary attendance in airing the Powder, &c<sup>a</sup>, be allowed a sum including the above of £5.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 2d day of November, 1772.

Mr. Gerrit Van Sante, Jun<sup>r</sup>, having this day app<sup>l</sup> as one of the Aldermen returned the 29th of Sept<sup>r</sup> last for the first ward of this City, and he having taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegence and Supremecy, and also his Oath of office, he is admitted to take his seat accordingly.

It is Resolved by this Board that the several watch men of this City be paid their wages to them respectively due to the eight day of October last and that the Chaimberlain of this Board do pay them accordingly.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the following accounts, viz :

John Stevenson for	£0: 2:6	Johannis Flansburgh for	£8: 4:6
Richard Hickson for	3:16:0	John Hall for	3: 0:0
James Marr for	4: 0:0	James McDervol	1:15:0

William Stansbury one of the Constables elected for the second ward this day appeared and was sworn in that office.

It is also resolved that Thomas Seeger the late City Marshall be allowed for his last years wages the sum of £15, and that the City Chaimberlain pay him the remainder of such Ballance as is due to him.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the City Chaimberlain in favour of Isaac Fonda additional to the former allowance of his acct<sup>s</sup> the sum of £1:15.

Resolved by this Board that John Redtliff be paid for his last years wages and that the City Chaimberlain pay him the remainder of such Ballance as is due to him.

Michael Wagoner being Qualified on his Oath, ordered that his account be allowed of £8:19:7 to this date.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Friday the 29th Nov<sup>r</sup>, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the City Chaimberlain in favour of John Roorbach for £16:1:4 and that the former order be barred.

It is Resolved that John Flansburgh light the Lamps and that he be allowed twenty-five shillings  $\frac{2}{3}$  moth.

John Trotter having petitioned for a Lott of Ground between the Houses of Volkert P. Douw & Michael Waggoner, he not chusing to purchase the

same, whereby John W. Wendell having asked for the same, which this Board has granted the same to Wendell at the rate of 10s.  $\frac{3}{4}$  annuum for 15 years.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 5th Dec<sup>r</sup>, 1772.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the City Chaimberlain in favour of John Price, Stephen Van Schaick & Bastian T. Vischer for £137.

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of John Wilkeson & Luke Cashady for £1:4.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign the following Deeds, viz, and that the City Seal be thereunto affixed.

One in favour of Barent Ten Eyck for Lott F lying on the North side of Foxes Creek.

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of John H. Ten Eyck, Esq<sup>r</sup>, for Lott G D<sup>o</sup>.

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Paul Hogstrasser for Lott H D<sup>o</sup>.

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Jacob Van Schaick for Lott I D<sup>o</sup>.

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of John Wendell.

Robert Yates and Jeremiah Van Renselaer as a Committe to this Board have pursuant to their orders this day brought in their written Report upon the subject matter of the Citys Claim to the westward and also a map to which the said Report doth refer, whereon they have laid the different lines, which have been laid down upon the several different Constructions of the said Citys Claim and the Question being thereupon put which of those lines should be deemed and taken for the true western extent, it was Resolved by a majority of this Board that a natural Northwest Extent is the true Line whereon the Citys right is founded, and it is farther Resolved that Jeremiah Van Renselaer do with all convenient speed cause those said lines to be run on these Principals to the full extent of the Citys Claim & cause the said line to be marked.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 4th day of Jan<sup>y</sup>, 1773.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw Advertizements to sell the four several Docks belonging to the Corporation of the City of Albany on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock in the forenoon.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 9th Jan<sup>y</sup>, 1773.

Resolved by this Board that the four several Docks belonging to the Corporation of the City of Albany be sold from this date to the first day of January next to the highest bidder, he or they so buying the same given good security, such as shall be approved of by this Corporation; the money to be paid the first day of January next.

Resolved by this Board that                    be a Committe to see wether there is any sum or sums due to Thomas William from the Corporation and that his acc<sup>t</sup> be allowed next meeting.

The Docks pursuant to the above resolve being exposed to sale at publick Vandue and Mr. Abraham I. Yates bidding for the same £79 and no person offering or bidding any higher, the same was struck of to him accordingly for one year, subject to the Ordinances and Regulations made by this Board.

The Board has this day agreed with Mr. Thomas Lotteredge and Mrs.



Catharine Hansen by her son Dirk Hansen for the Ferry until January next for £33, and they the said Lotteridge & Hansen are to deliver the Dock in good repair as they are now. This being read to them to which they content.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 2d day of Jan<sup>y</sup>, 1773.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following Accounts, viz :

Jer Van Renselaer for	£19:15:7½	James Marr	£5: 0:0
Nicholas Merselis for	2: 2:0	Philip Elsworth for	7: 2:0
Benj <sup>n</sup> Egbertse for	2: 9:0	John Ram & John Strobe for	1:10:0
Baltus Lydias for	2: 5:0	Guy Young for	2:16:0
Henry Van Veghten for	2: 5:0	Gerrit Van Vrankie for	7:16:6
Barent Roseboom for	1: 4:0	Mathew Arsen for	9: 4:0
George Rogers,	0:12:0		

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor settle and execute the Deeds in behalf of the Corporation for the exchange of the Ground on the north side of the Foxes Creek with Mr. Van Den Bergh.

Also Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw a Warrent for the Assessors to assess the sum not exceeding £150 for the City Night watch and Lamps in the City of Albany.

Resolved by this Board that Jacob Vielen have leave to cut 100 Logs of Timber in the Corporation Right and that he allow the Corporation nine pence for every Log and that he bring in his acc<sup>t</sup> and the Quantity of the same shall be sworn to.

A map being shewn to the Corporation of their right from Albany to Schenectady and the same to be filed with the City Chaimberlain.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany the 23d day of Februy, 1773.

This Board having received advice that his Excellency by Message to the House of Assembly now sitting, recommended to them to pass a Law to secure to the Mohawk Indians the Lands whereupon they reside at Tionderoga, but the Reversion thereof is to be vested in this Board, which Reversion or right of entry when it can take place will (in case such a Law does pass) only be determinable by a future Legislature. This Board conceiving that if such a Law is made that it will abridge their rights to those Lands, which have been amply secured to them by Royal Charter and by Purchase from the Natives, do therefore upon mature consideration deem it absolutely necessary by all legal ways and means to oppose the passing of the said Law, for which said purpose they nominate and appoint Gysbert G. Marselis and Robert Yates, Aldermen, a Committe to go down to New York, and they have hereby full power and authority to act, transact and forward all matters and things which may tend most to the advantage of this City touching the said Premises in as full and ample manner as if this said Board were personally present, and for the purposes aforesaid to prefer one or more Petitions of such tenor and purport as they shall think necessary and one or more Attornies under them to make and at their pleasure to revoke, and this Board will make good to them all reasonable Disbursements and Expences, and this Board directs their Chaimberlain to advance to them out of any Money in his hands the sum of £20, for which sum they must be accountable upon their return.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Wednesday 24th of Febr, 1773.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order upon the Treasurer in favour of William Walderon for £16:0:6.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 9th day of March, 1773.

The Assessors of the City of Albany delivered to this Board an exact List of the rates and Taxes laid on the Freeholders, Freemen, Inhabitants, Residents and sojourners in the City of Albany living within half a mile from the Hudsons River to defray the Expences of a City night watch.

Also Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Peter Marshor for eleven shillings.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Monday the 15th March, 1773.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of John Redliff for six Skipple of wheat and charge the same to the Corporation.

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of John Fryer for £0:13:4.

Resolved by this Board that William Gamble have a Lott of Ground to the south of John Bones and that the same be surveyed by Henry I. Bogert, City Surveyor, and that he deliver an extract of the same next meeting.

Also Resolved by this Board that Jeremiah Van Rensselaor have a Lott of Ground near were the last Gallows was erected.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 21st April, 1773.

Resolved by this Board that the watchmen be paid from the seventh day of November to the seventh day of April, save one month to be kept in arrear agreeable to the Ordinance.

Resolved that the Clerk of this Board prepare a list of all the Inhabitants in the Destrict of Albany liable to work on the high ways together with the Quotas annexed to their several names and have the same ready at the next meeting and then to be compleated by affixing to each persons name the number of days that such person shall be liable to work on the high ways, &c<sup>a</sup>.

Resolved that those Inhabitants of this City who have Hoggs which they suffer to run at large through the streets shall put or cause to be fixed a small iron ring through the nose of each Hogg by the first day of May next and keep the same so fixed from time to time, and in case of default shall for each offence pay a fine of five shillings to be recovered by a warrant under the hand and seal of the Mayor, Recorder or any one of the Aldermen of the City for the use of the poor.

Also Resolved that the well in the south west part of the City in the first ward of the said City be rated up and a new one made or the present one sufficiently repaired, and that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Roseboom, Van Veghten & P. W. Yates be overseers for that purpose.

Also Resolved that Air holes be made in the Powder house and that any two members of the second ward be overseers for that purpose and see the same compleated as soon as convenient.

Also Resolved that the Chaimberlain of this City sell the Quantity of 200 Skipple of the City wheat at 5s.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Skipple, provided that no person to whome he may sell shall have more then six Skipple.

That the Marshel of this Board have also Liberty to have six Skipple of wheat at the above price and charge the same to his acc<sup>t</sup>.

Also Resolved that the Members of the first ward cause to be erected adjoining to the City Hall a Stocks or place for the punishment of Negroes and servants breaking the Sabbath or Lords Day called Sunday.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 24th April, 1773.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the City Chaimberlain the following acc<sup>s</sup>, viz :

One in favour of R. Bleecker for £3:4.

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Adam B. Vrooman for £9:3:9.

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Patrick Clerk for £9:7.

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of Michael Wagoner for lighting the lamps 2 months Candles and Cotton for £2:15.

One D<sup>o</sup> in favour of the watchmen from the 8th Nov<sup>r</sup> to the 8 April inst<sup>t</sup> which compleats their year.

Resolved by this Board that the Chaimberlain of this City replace out of the Corporation fund the sum of twenty pounds which he paid last winter to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Marselis & Yates into the fund appropriated for the use of the watchmen of this City.

It is Resolved that the several Ordinances of last year be continued for and in force this year.

It is farther Resolved that Alderman P. W. Yates and Councillor V. Veghten be a Committe for revising, altering and amending all the Ordinances of this Board now in force and that they present them to this Board at the next meeting for approbation.

It is also Resolved that no Member of this Board do incur any Expence above 20s. in any publick work or business unless by a previous order of this Board.

At a Common Councill held at the City Hall of the city of Albany on Saturday the 22 of May, 1773.

Resolved by this Board that Peter Lansing of the first ward, Nicholas Merselis of the second ward, and Harmanus Wendell of the third ward be appointed Overseers of the Roads pursuant to a Law of this Province lately made.

This Board as Commissioners pursuant to the said act do appoint Anthony Egbertse, Clerk of the said Roads, and that he pursuant to said act Advertise a List of the Inhabitants which are to work on the Roads within the City and its Liberties.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor do sign the Deeds of Wilhelmus V. Den Bergh and the Lease to Samuel Stringer and the City Seal be thereunto affixed.

Resolved by this Board that the Lot granted to Samuel Stringer be in breath from east to west two Chains and in length from north to south five Chains.

Resolved by this Board that Guysbert Merselis and Jeremiah V. Renselaer be appointed a Committee to examine the minutes of Common

Councill respecting the Deeds of Schactakook, to prepare them to be executed and make report thereof to the Corporation.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Thursday the 27 day of May, 1773.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the following Accounts:

For Matthew Orson     .£1:10     For John Wilkenson     £0:8

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Tuesday the 8th of June, 1773.

Resolved that this Board are to go to Schatekook next Tuesday, being the fifteenth day of June, and that our Chamberlain is also to be warned to go along with the City Seal, and that the Mayor is authorized to fix the Seal to such Deeds as are ready for execution by vertue of a former Resolution of this Board.

Resolved by this Board that the amendment in the Margin of the Ordinance for the due observance of the Lords day be part of the said Ordinance.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Monday the 28 of June, 1773.

Resolved by this Board that the Aldermen and Common Council of the respective Wards do clean and repair the several Pumps and Cisterns in their several Wards and that the Bridge at Jacob Lansings and the father Bridge on the Foxes Creeke be repaired by the Aldermen and Common Council of the several wards or any of them.

Also a small ditch to be made at John G. Yates's.

Resolved by this Board that Aldermen Abraham Yates, Robert Yates and Peter W. Yates be appointed a Committe to consult with Mr. Duane in respect to the Claim of the Corporation of the City of Albany to a Seat in the Court of Oyer and Terminer.

At a Meeting at Schgkook the 16 of June, 1773, of the Members of the Corporation.

Mayor executed to Abraham Deforeest a Deed for 40 acres, and the said Abraham De Forceest executes the counter part, he also executes at the same time a Note for £5 payable to the Board for two years rent in arrear for said land.

Do To Direk Van Veghten for two Pieces of Land, one 37 acres and the other 19 acres, and he executed counter part and also gave a Note for £3 payable to this Board for two years rent in arrear for the said two Peices.

The Members have also consented that Lewis Van Antwerp shall have fifty or sixty acres adjoining to the east of his Land at the rate of sixpence rent for every acre. But previous to the granting the same, Ordered that the same be surveyed at the expence of him, the Deeds also to be drawn at his expence.

Do that Mr. Renslaer survey a peice of Ground of about 40 acres for Peter Winne and make return thereof.

Nicholas Young between the Land lately granted to him and Peter Winne in proportion to the former or other rent the Mayor executed a

deed to Nicholas Young for 87 acres, and he the said Young executed a Note for £8 payable to the Bord for two years rent in arrears for said Land.

The Mayor executed a Deed to Peter Benneway for 8 acres of Ground, and he the said Benneway executed the counterpart and also paid to the Chamberlain £10 for the use of the Board, being the consideration money.

Agreed with Jacob Fort that the Land formerly promised to him be surveyed, the rent seven Skipple, that he also include an hill laying between his old farm and that he the said Fort intended paying therefor in proportion.

Abraham Beeker declined a purchase heretofore made from the Corporation 11 July, 1773 in favour of Lewis Vicle.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany the 22d day of July, 1773.

Resolved by this Board the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Gerrit T. V. Den Bergh for £10:4.

It is resolved by this Board that a Peice of Ground at Schagkook of sixteen Acres and thirty-nine Perches surveyed by Jeremiah Van Renselaer for Marte Winne be granted to him on an annual rent of eight shillings, agreeable to the return made by the said surveyor.

Resolved by this Board that a Peice of Ground at Schagkook of 107 Acres and 24 Perches, surveyed by Jer<sup>h</sup> Van Renselaer for Lewis Van Antwerp be granted to him on an annual rent of two pounds thirteen shillings and six pence, agreeable to the return made by the said Surveyor.

Resolved by this Board that a Peice of Ground at Schagkook of forty-one Acres three Roods and thirty-six Perches, surveyed by Jeremiah Van Renselaer for Peter Winne be granted to him on the annual rent of twenty-one shillings, agreeable to the return made by the said Surveyor.

Also Resolved by this Board that a peice of Ground of thirteen acres at Schagkook, surveyed by Jeremiah Van Renselaer for Nicholas Young be granted to him on an annual rent of thirteen shillings, agreeable to the return made by the said Surveyor.

Also Resolved by this Board that a Peice of Land lately surveyed by Jeremiah Van Renselaer and containing twenty-six Acres three Roods and fifteen Perches be granted to John Knickerbacker, Peter Yates, Marte Winne, Lewis Van Antwerp, Lewis Mago and Wouter Groosbeek and to their heirs and assigns. Intrus for the use of the reformed protestant Dutch Church of Schaghkook.

Also Resolved by this Board that a Peice of Land at Schaghkook of thirty-five Acres and fourteen Perches, surveyed by Jeremiah V. Renselaer for Dirck V. Veghten be granted to him on the annual rent of twenty shillings, agreeable to the return made by the said Surveyor.

Resolved Likewise that Jacob Fort is to have two small Peices of Land agreeable to the survey of Jer<sup>h</sup> V. Renselaer at six pence the acre  $\text{ᝥ}$  Annum.

Resolved that Mr. Jeremiah Van Renselaer have leave to examin all the counter parts of the Deeds for Lands at Schaghkook which are now in the possession of the Chamberlain.

It is Resolved by this Board that to Johannes Knickerbaker, Jun<sup>r</sup>, be granted a Peice of Ground of fifty acres, bounded east by his own Land and on the south by a Tract laid out for Marte Winne and on the west by

Abraham Deforceest, by the east the Land of Lewis Van Antwerp and a road on an annual rent of six pence for every acre. Yet that previous to the granting thereof it is farther resolved that an actual survey be thereof made, upon the return thereof the land be granted.

It is Resolved that whenever the road proposed to be made from Cumberland county to Pownel for the sake of carrying on a Trade and Commerce, &c. with this City is certified by the representatives of said county to be duly compleated, then the Treasurer of this Board shall advance towards it fifteen pounds.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer for to pay the following Accounts:

John De Peyster	£2:9:6	Isaac I. Lansing	£1: 4
Johannes Ouderkerk	6:6:0	Jacob J. Van Woert	1:10

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk give an order to John Radlieff on the Chamberlain for three Skipples of wheat.

Likewise an order in favour of John Ostrander for six Skipples of wheat.

At a Common Councill held at the City Hall of the City of Albany the 24th day of July, 1773.

Resolved by this Board that Jer<sup>h</sup> Van Renselaer and Cornelius Van Schulluynne be appointed a Committe to inspect the account of Tho<sup>s</sup> Williams and make a final settlement of the same.

Resolved by this Board that the Chamberlain sell the wheat belonging to the Corporation (only reserving 100 Skipples) to the highest bidder.

Henry Van Veghten is appointed to sell the above mentioned wheat at 5s. if he can get no more by Monday next.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 2d day of September, 1773.

Whereas Mr. Peter W. Yates, agreeable to a late Resolution of this Board, has revised, corrected and amended the Ordinances and had the same printed which being now presented and approved of, and it is Resolved that the same commence to be in full force and effect from this day.

It is further resolved that Messrs. Peter W. Yates and Jeremiah Van Renselaer do agree with the Printers about the Prices and Expences of the Paper and Printing of the said Ordinance.

Mr. Ebenezar Jessup presented a Petition to this Board praying them to grant to him a Peice of vacant ground covered with water, lying on the north side of the upper warf beginning at the east end of Mr. Quackemboss, &c. Whereupon it is resolved that the Prayer of the Petitioner be granted subject to a yearly rent charge of 40 shillings and that Mr. Robert Yates present the Deeds thereof by the next meeting then to be executed.

— Watson having applied to this Board by Alderman Ten Broeck for liberty to cut a quantity of Logs off of the Land belonging to the Corporation lying at — Resolved that he have leave to what quantity he shall think fit on consideration that he deliver an attested account thereof and pay the usual price.

Resolved by this Board that agreeable to the Ordinance in that case made and provided no meat is to be exposed to sale on Sunday after the second Sunday in September instant.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Monday the 13th of Sept., 1773.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw Orders on the Treasurer to pay the following Accounts :

One in favour of Philip Lansing for £15:10:11.

One in favour of John Donaldson for attending the Town Clock from the year 1769 to the year this Board agreed with Mr. John J. Abbot.

One in favour of the City Night Watch for four months wagers.

Ald<sup>m</sup> Peter W. Yates and Messrs. Van Veghten and Roseboom presented to this Board the following Accounts:

1 of John Merselis of £10: 0:0      1 of George Dole of £8: 5:0

1 of John Hall of                    7:15:0      1 of Philip Elsworth of 7:10:0

1 of Wessel Van Schaick of 1: 7:0½      1 of William Howard of 2:16:3

Which are also allowed. •

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Tuesday the 28th of Sept. 1773.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw Orders on the Treasurer to pay the following Accounts :

Guysbert Merselis            £11:4:3      Adrian Bradt            £1:15

Daniel Degraf                    1:8:4

It is Resolved by this Board that at the next insuing election of the different Officers of this Board that there be elected in each of the wards of this City one additional Constables who are to execute that office for the ensuing year.

That John Redliff may receive from the Chamberlain of this City three Schipples of wheat on account, and it is hereby ordered that the Chamberlain deliver him the said quantity.

That the Mayor execute Deeds in behalf of this Board to John James Abbot for Lot K in foxes Creek.

And to Philip Wendell for Lot L, situate in the same place, and that he affix or order the affixing the City Seal thereto respectively.

At a Common Council held for the City of Albany at the City Hall of the said City on Wednesday the 29th Sept. 1773—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Robert Yates, John Ten Broeck, Guysbert Merselis, Peter W Yates, Abraham Yates, Junr, Gerret Van Sante, Corn<sup>s</sup> Van Schulluyne, Jacob Roseboom, Isaac Deforeest, Abraham Ten Eyck.

This day being appointed by Charter for the election of Aldermen, Assistants and Constables, the following is the order in which they were elected and returned.

First Ward—Peter W. Yates, Gerrit Van Sante, Aldermen; Jacob Roseboom, Heury Van Veghten, Assistants; James Green, Luke Cashady, Constables.

Second Ward—Robert Yates, Guysbert G. Merselis, Aldermen; Corn<sup>s</sup> Van Schulluyne, Jeremiah Van Renselaer, Assistants; John Grozier, William Adams, Constables.

Third Ward—John Ten Broeck, Thomas Hun, Aldermen; Abraham Ten Eyck, Leonard Gansevoort, Assistants; Abraham A. Lansing, Albert Hansen, Constables.

William Adams having been chosen Constable for the second ward and

refused to serve, whereupon John Ostrander offering himself to serve in his stead, is appointed for that purpose.

This Board have appointed Henry Bleecker, Esq. Chamberlain, John Ostrander Marchel, and James Green High Constable.

Upon the Return of the Poll for the third ward, Ald<sup>m</sup> Abraham Yates in behalf of himself and William Winne, complained of the illegality of several Votes at the said election and therefore prayed a scrutiny of this Board to inquire into the same.

Resolved by this Board that the same be granted, and that all the parties interested in the said election be heard on the second day of October next, and that leave be given to the said Parties to take Copies of the said Poll.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Saturday the 2d day of October, 1773.

Mr. Henry Bleecker, Treasurer, informed the Board that he was desired to attend on Monday next at a Tryal with some of the Books belonging to the Corporation and applied to this Board for leave to attend with the same. Resolved by the Board that leave be given accordingly.

Agreecable to a former resolve of this Board the scrutiny between Alderman Abraham Yates, William Winne and John Ten Broeck and Thomas Hun came on before this Board for their determination.

Anthony Wolf Reylen, Christopher Beeckman, objected to for Bribery. In support whereof Jacob Henderer was sworn as a witness and saith, that the day before yesterday Wolf came to Martin for a saddle and said to this witness he had made a good days work of it the day before, for he and Beeckman had received £40 to give their votes for Hun and Ten Broeck by one Mr. Ten Broeck, and that he would be damned if he would vote before he had the money and that he was going to buy cattle for it.

William Pemberton sworn says, that the day before yesterday about five o'clock in the morning he saw the above witness and Wolf in discourse together and were very merry and asked them the reason of it, that Wolf said by *Jesus* I have got the Shiners to vote; that he asked him how many have you, more than one or two. Yes, by *J . . s*, a good many more; that the said Wolf had before the election declared he would vote Abraham Yates; that Wolf afterwards said he received only a bottle of wine.

James Pearce sworn saith, that on the day of election he was at Cartwrights; that up stairs Beeckman, Wolf, Austin and J. Williamson and this witness; that Harm Gansevoort, P. Gansevoort and Richard Ten Broeck severally came there to request them to vote; that Wolf said he would vote for Alderman Yates; that they would not vote without interest; that he does not know that any money was offered by any of those Gentlemen; that Wolf bought a horse next morning; that he the witness had left the room and left the others there; that he does not know to his own knowledge that money was received for their votes by them.

John Roorbach sworn, that he understood Williams had voted for Ten Broeck and Hun, that he went to Williams's slaughter house and said they were all off as he had got something for their votes; that he had heard they would not vote before they had got money, to which Beeckman said *Indeed would not we*; that James Williams said he had none of it. That when in (this deponent was in) his Garden John O'Bryan said there was



a good deal of work about voting in the 2d ward, the had also given his vote in said election. Why says he have you a vote? Why indeed says he I have only lived in the ward about eight days and my Bedding and several of my things are at one Ryans in the first ward.

Richard Hilton sworn saith, that Patrick Gahegan lived there before he came to the house of Mrs. M'Cew, that he left the said house on the 28th day of August last (the house he means is Mrs. M'Cews); that he is positive that it is this day 5 weeks; that he does not know where he went to, tho he did not go out of town; that he lived at Mrs. M'Cews above a twelve month; that he has a Bed with all his Clothes yet at Mrs. M'Cews, the has not slept there these last five weeks; that he has seen him at work at James Mans and that he has worked at Mr. Burcks but he generally is about Mans house, and he believes he does lodge there; lives up at Graveraedts in the Vosin Kill.

John Friend sworn saith, that John O'Bryan had his Bed and Bedding and Chest and Saw at this Deponents house; that he has worked at a well at Capt. Schuylers in the Country; that he lodged at times at one M'Kin-sies, to which place he removed from this Deponents: that he has been the most part of last Summer since the 1st of May at Albany at one Ryans, and at times in the country at his work, and that he goes from one place to another as he thinks to work. On the part of Ten Broeck and Hun in objection to the above.

James Moore, that he lives in a house of Graveraedt in the 3d ward; knows one John O'Brian who has lodged about seven or eight days agoe at this Deponents house, he has agreed to pay him so much a week for his Board: that he has known him about two years, that he is a labouring man and has been out at work at Courtland Schuylers; that he calls this Deponents house his home as he supposes as long as he stays there. That he has heard of O'Brian he had hired a Seller of John McKinsey that he does not know.

Knows also Patrick Gahigen, that he now lives at his house and has lived there since the 27th of August last; that before that time he lived at Mrs. M'Cews; that he is a Taylor by trade and follows his Business, that he now works at Burks.

Adam Craft sworn says, Mr. Yates asked Rees whether he received money, he answered that Leonard Gansevoort said he would give him a Dollar he owed him and be his security in a suit.

N. B. This Dollar was part of a fee left unpaid.

That Rees's family lives at Nestigcuna but that he has been at work for 5 months at Hogstrossers, and that he sometimes goes to see his family there; that the said Rees was born in Pennsylvania; that the Deponent lives at Mr. Hogstrossers and has voted on the late election, that he is born in Germany and was never naturalized; that he has been 20 years in America, that he has lived 1 year and 4 months in Albany, that he voted last year for Abraham Yates and John Ten Broeck.

Adjourned to Monday 8 o'clock in the morning.

Met according to adjournment.

Jere<sup>h</sup> Van Renselaer is also entered as a member just before John Roorback was for the second time examined.

Henry Tremper sworn said, he was going to prove what Williams's wife had said in regard to Bribery (which was objected to on the part of Mr.

Hun) the Council by majority of votes determined that it was not proper to examine the witness, he was therefore set aside.

N. B. It was said that the wife had received a Chinese Sack and Peticoat for Williams vote in favour of T. B. and H.

John McKinsie sworn saith, that John O'Brian hired his Seller for a year about a month ago, he was to give 40s.; he hired with intent to dwell in it; that he has his Bedding in it; that when he returned from Capt. Schuylers he came there last Saturday or Fryday a week ago and was in Liquor and slept there that night on the flore; that since he hired the Seller he has slept there about 6 nights; that the said O'Brian goes out to work, and there where he usually worked he lodged; that from the house of this Deponent he went to one Moores about 8 days ago from last Saturday morning.

Lyle Hodge offered to be introduced as a witness. Objected to by Mr. Silvester that he was not on the Poll.

Mr. Hodge then complained that he had offered himself as a voter at the time of election and was refused; that he therefore complained of the Ingury; whereupon he was sworn and saith, that this day 3 weeks since he removed or left Mr. Edgars to Mr. Williams, in the first ward, and where he has now his Bed and Board; that he offered to vote at the late election and that he intended to vote Mr. Yates and Mr. Winne and was denied to vote; he left Mr. Edgars the 12th of August, he went to the first ward the 24th August, he went to New York and returned 6th Sept. and then lodged again at Mr. Williams; that he had lodged at Mr. Williams about 15 or 16 days before the election. Mr. Yates observed that when John O'Brian came to vote Mr. Yates refused to have his name inserted, that thereupon Mr. John Ten Broeck wrote down the voters name and whom he voted.

John Roorbach again examined, but as it was asked him about the customs of the Board, the Board thought the question as yet improper and would consider of it farther.

First complaining that he had not been returned,

Roeloff Cole sworn saith, that he offered to vote at the late election, and that his intention was to vote John Ten Broeck and Abraham Yates, that after he was denied his intention was to vote A. Yates and W. Winne. The reason of his being refused by Mr. Ten Broeck was that he had not lived 6 weeks in the ward; that he went to look, but thought he had a right to vote; that he was born in town, but that he had found out he had not lived 6 weeks in the ward; that before he lived in the third ward he had been up to Missilunama. That before he had lived with his father in the 1st ward; that it was yesterday 7 or 8 weeks ago since he returned to this place. Saith he was at the City Hall after the election, he heard in discourse about the election with Pemberton and Wolf, who said he had got shiners for his vote; that Pemberton asked him how many; he said, *What is that to you how many I got?* and then put out his tongue. That he on oath declares he had received nothing for his vote or any promise of any Reward.

James Pierce the objection against his vote. The state of this objection is as follows:

N. B. No Clothing is mentioned in the agreement of servitude.

John Lansingh, Jun., saith on oath, that by the Ald<sup>m</sup> who held the pole, the question was usually put as a Test to a good vote or a bad vote,

whether such voter had been six weeks in the Town or not; if they had the vote was admitted, and on the principle with respect a stranger, it was supposed their residence had been only in the ward.

Nicholas Hallenbeck, is born in the City, that he has lived about 11 months in the 3d ward; that he has received no reward for his vote, nor no promise of any reward, but that he made a difference of about £10 in the Candidates; that when Ab<sup>m</sup> Schuyler asked him what he had got for his vote that as it was a foolish question, that he was yet to tell him.

Michael Dederick saith, that in discourse with Isaac Van Arnun, that he has nothing for his vote nor any promise of reward; that Van Arnun persuaded him to vote for Hun and Ten Broeck, that when he went to vote Van Arnun told him, your vote is as good as £5 to me. That last Fryday was 7 weeks he put up his trade at Mr. Willitts; that some time in October it will be 7 years since he arrived in America; that he was born in Germany, that he has taken an oath, was never naturalized, but believes the oath was for the performance of his Indentures.

John Roorback saith Chr. Beeckman had applyed to him how to get naturalized and that he was an *Alien*.

Jacob Henderer in further examination saith that Wolf confessed he was born in Germany and that he came over when he was nine or ten years old.

Mr. Silvester opens on the part of Messrs. Ten Broeck and Hun.

Jan Lau Voucke sworn saith, knows one Francis Doughty, that he was born in Lorain, that he has been about one year in this country, that he has been a long while in the country of Canady as a soldier as he thinks; that he has lived about 4 or 5 months at Schodack and about one year at Winne's the Tanner in the 3d ward.

It is admitted that Roeloff Cole had said that he would have voted Hun and Ten Broeck immediately after he was refused.

John Maley sworn saith, that he knows Robert Williams, has lived with him since the 30th June last; that he hath heard him say that he was not of age, that he is not certain but thinks.

The witness was born in the Province of Alcase in the French Dominions, that he is not naturalized, that he has been in this country almost 7 years, and about or near 5 years that he has paid taxes in Town, that on a former election he has voted Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates and John Ten Broeck.

Robert Williams sworn saith, that he is not of the age of 21 years at this present time, that he will be 21 years the 23d of December 1774, that he was 13 years when he was bound apprentice.

Francis Doughty as to his own objection sworn saith that he is a Frenchman born; that when Canada was surrendered he was a soldier up the Illinois in the French Service saith, that he has taken the Oath of Fedelity to the British King and looks on himself as an English Subject.

John Metsger sworn saith, that he knows one John Phillips, that he has resided in the City of and on since the latter end of June, that he goes with a Sloop with the Deponent and that he sleeps when in Town aboard the Sloop and also at Santfords, and sometimes at this Deponents House he eat and drinks; that about 12 days ago he left this Deponent and went to Cor. Santfords where he has slept.

Andries Abel sworn saith, that he was born in Hanover, that he has voted before for Aldermen and that he has also served for the City as Constable; that he taken the Oaths Alegiance &c. and has lived 20 years

in this Country and that he never was out of America ; that he has served his time at Jacob Groesbecks for the trade as a Shoemaker.

James Pierce, that he has voted formerly for Majistrates in this City, but that he was not at such time a bound Servant ; that he has paid Taxes and towards the Church of England support.

Gerrit Visscher says, that there was always some dispute about which ward his fathers house was in ; that he is in Militia in Capt. Winne's Company in the lower ward, but that his Brother was in Jo' Beeckmans ward, but his Opinion was that he was in the lower ward, but that his Brother have voted on some occasions in the upper ward, that he also has been a Constable in the third ward.

Hendrick Van Hoesen sworn deposeseth and saith, that a little above half afternoon he came to town from the country, that he knew it was the day of election and he went immediately to the Market Place in order to give his vote and that he intended to vote John Ten Broeck and Thomas Hun as Aldermen, but he found no body there to whom to tender his vote ; that he then went to the stoop of J. Dewandlaer where he understood that the pole was closed ; that he received no notice before the day of Election at what time in that day the Poll was to be opened.

Jacob Henderer says that Godfrey Enox said he was born in Holland.

Francis Stoop sworn saith, that he lives out at the North Gate where he keeps his bed and Board at Ab<sup>m</sup> De Weevers ; that he Lodges every night when in Town there, that goes with a Sloop.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the city of Albany on the 5th day of October, 1773.

The Board being met and having taken into consideration the subject matter of the contested Election of the third ward between Abraham Yates, William Winne, John Ten Broeck and Thomas Hun, and have thereupon Resolved that previous to the determination of the said Scrutiny the following regulations (most of which are founded on the Customs of this Board in the like cases) are to be their guide in the determination of the present Election, as

1st, That no Aliens have a right to vote in any of the wards of this City tho the residence of such Aliens should have been for any length of time in the City before any Election of the members of this Board.

2d, That any person who is intituled to vote in this City and removes from one ward to another at any time before an election for the purpose of residing in such latter ward has a right to vote in such ward where he last resides.

3d, That every person by the custom of this Board of the age of twenty one years, born under the British Dominions and who has resided above six weeks in the City of Albany has a right to vote in the ward where he resides.

4th, That by a custom of this Board no bound Servant has a right to vote during the time of his Servitude.

5th, That any person who gives his vote for the election of any of the Officers of this Board in consequence of a bribe given him by any person or persons, such vote is declared null and void.

6th, That by late custom it appears that the House where Harma Visscher lately lived is scituated in the third ward.

The Board thereupon taking into consideration the Proofs that have been

offered in objection to the validity of the vote of Patrick Gahigan as also the Proofs in favour of his vote, do unanimously declare that the said Patrick Gahigan had a good vote.

This Board also taking into consideration the proofs offered in objection to the validity of the vote of Anthony Wolf Rylan and it appearing to the Board that he was born out of the British Dominions and such an Alien, and no proof appeared that he has been naturalized do therefore declare his vote void.

Also taking into consideration the proofs offered in objection to the validity of the vote of Christopher Beeckman and it appearing to the Board that he was born out of the British Dominions and that he had not been naturalized do therefore declare the said vote void.

No proof appearing to disqualify the vote of James Williams do therefore declare his vote good.

This Board taking into consideration the proofs offered in objection to John O'Brians vote, as also the proofs offered in favour of his vote and thereupon it appearing that the said John O'Brian had resided above six weeks in the City of Albany before the day of the last election and that his last place of residence before the said election was at the house of one James Moore in the third ward, and no intention appearing to the Board that he had moved in the said ward for the purpose of voting there, do therefore allow his vote good.

This Board also taking into consideration the proof offered in objection to the vote of John Adam Rees and it appearing that his family lives at Nestigeunoe, out of the jurisdiction of this City, and that he has worked at Paul Hogstrossers five months, that he sometimes goes to his family at Nestigoone, upon consideration of which said Circumstances this Board declare that by reason of the said voters having his family out of the City where he at times goes, that he is only a soejourner here, that therefore his proper place of Residence is out of the City and this vote is void.

It appears to the Board that James Pierce at the time of the late election was a bound Servent to Anthony Wolf Rylan, and it also appearing that by the custom of this Board that no bound Servent has a right to vote during the time of his Servitude, this Board doth therefore declare the vote of James Pierce void.

It appears in proof to this Board that Michael Dederick is born in Germany, that he has not resided seven years in America and is not naturalized or ever took the Oaths of Supremacy and Allegiance, his vote is therefore declared void.

It appearing to the Board that the House wherein Philip Wendell and Timothy Hutton reside is scituated in the third ward, do therefore declare their votes good.

It appearing to this Board in proof that Adam Craft was born in Germany, that he never was naturalized, that he has lived twenty years in America, that it does not appear he ever has taken the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy, therefore his vote is declared void.

Considering the proofs in objection to the vote of Nicholas Halenbeck the Board do not think it sufficient to disqualify this vote, do therefore declare it good.

Considering the proof that is offered to validate the vote of Francis Doughty and it appearing thereby that he at the time Canada surrendered to the British Crown by Capitulation, he was a Soldier in the French ser-

vice within the district of the country that surrendered, and since which time he has taken the Oath of Fidelity to the British King, it is therefore declared by the Board that he has a good vote. ●

It appearing to this Board that Robert Williams at the time of the Election was not of the age of twenty one years and that therefore he has no vote.

It appearing on proof to this Board that John Maley was born in the Province of Aleace in the French Dominions, that he has not been naturalized, and that he has not lived seven years in America, his vote is therefore declared not good.

It appearing to this Board that John Philips has resided above six weeks in this City before the time of Election, and that he was residing in the third ward at and before the Election do therefore declare his vote good.

It appearing to the Board that Andries Able was born in Hanover, that he has lived in this country twenty years, that he has heretofore served as Constable in the City of Albany and as such that he has taken the Oath of Allegiance and Supremacy, that he has also served his time to learn a Trade in the City of Albany, yet this Board conceiving that the said Andries Abel has not regularly qualified himself and taken the necessary measures presented by a late Statute made in the time of George the Second to entitle himself to the benefit of a Naturalization, do therefore declare his vote void.

It appearing to this Board that Godfrey Enox was born in Holland, and it not appearing he ever was naturalized, do therefore declare his vote void.

Resolved by this Board upon the consideration of the Complaint and Testimony of Lyle Hodge, who says that he offered his vote in the late Election and that it was refused him to vote, and this Board farther considering the right the said Lyle Hodge had to a vote, do Resolve that he had no vote and that the Alderman who took the Poll had a right to refuse him his vote.

By complaint of Roelof Cole it appears to the Board that he was refused to vote at the Election, and by proof it appears to this Board that he was entitle to a vote, but not being returned on the poll this Board upon the circumstances of the proof made before us are not satisfied that we have a right to add his vote to the said Poll.

Upon the complaint and testimony of Hendrick Van Hoosen it appears to this Board that upon his return from Country on the day of Election about 5 o'clock in the afternoon and that he attended at the usual place of Election and found no person or persons there to whome he could legally tender his vote and that he intended to have voted John Ten Broeck and Tho<sup>s</sup> Hun for Aldermen, but it further appearing that he did not call on any of the Magistrates who had a right to take his vote, and it also appearing to this Board that the said poll had been open from the hour of nine in the morning to between four and five in the evening, and then only closed because no other voters appeared, this Board do therefore upon these circumstances declare that the said voter had omitted his opportunity of voting and that therefore his complaint is groundless.

Francis Stoop having offered his vote on the said Election and was refused by the Majistrates holding the said Election, and upon consideration of circumstances of the said refusal this Board doth concur in sentiments with them.

It appearing to this Board upon adding the bad votes together which were objected to by Mr. Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates and W<sup>m</sup> Winne, that Anthony Wolf Rylan, Christopher Beeckman, John Adam Ries, James Pierce and Michael Dederick were disqualified from voting for the reasons above assigned.

And on the contrary side it also appeared to this Board that upon adding the bad votes together which were objected to by John Ten Broeck and Thomas Hun, that Andries Abel, Adam Craft, Robert Williams, John Maley and Godfrey Enox were disqualified from voting for the reasons also above assigned.

That therefore by taking from the said poll the bad votes, that there remains a majority of good voters in favour of John Ten Broeck and Thomas Hun for Aldermen, who are therefore hereby declared by this Board as the Aldermen duly elected for the ensuing year for the said third ward.

October 14. This day being appointed by Charter to qualify the several Officers of this City,

Abraham Cuyler produces a Commission appointing him Mayor and Clerk of the Markets for the City of Albany and Coroner for the City and County of Albany.

Henry Ten Eyck produces a Commission appointing him High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany, and were both sworn to the due execution of their several offices.

The following were likewise sworn in the due execution of their several offices:

Peter W. Yates, Gerrit Van Sante, Aldermen for first ward. Henry Van Veghten, Jacob Roseboom, Assistants.

Guysbert G. Merselis, Alderman for second ward. Corn<sup>e</sup> Van Schulyne, Assistant.

John Ten Broeck, Thomas Hun, Aldermen for third ward. Abraham Ten Eyck, Leonard Gansevoort, Assistants. Jacob Kidney, Constable.

October 18. Resolved by the Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay Robert Lansing £5:8:6.

Robert Yates was this day qualified as Alderman for the second ward, and Abert Hansen as Constable for the third ward.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the City watchmen two months wages to commence from the time their last four months wages were due.

Resolved also that the Clerk draw an order upon the Treasurer to pay Michael Waginer £8:3:3 out of the Watch Money for his service for lighting the City Lamps from the 20th of April last to the 20th of inst. October and for Cotten Candelns and reparations for the same.

This Board have appointed Thomas Williams, Jun<sup>r</sup> and Gerrit Hyer for the first ward, Dirck Schuyler and Philip Viele for the second ward, and Andries and Jacob Van Deusen for the third ward, Firemasters for the ensuing year, and that they severally execute their offices pursuant to an Ordinance for that purpose made, and that they begin their serch on the first Monday in November next.

November 20. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts: Peter Lansing for storing

the Oil for the use of the Lamps, £5; France Winne for three Barrels of Oil, Freight and Cartage, £13:2:9; John V. Douw, £1:10; John Crozier, 18 shillings.

The printed Ordinances of this Board comprized in sixty-four pages were this day published.

An account of William McIntost of £6:2:9 ordered to be paid.

Ordered by the Board that the Treasurer pay to John Radcliff for the last years ringing the Bell the sum of £5.

Also ordered that John Ostrander be allowed £15 for his service from October the 14th, 1772, to the 14 of Oct. last as Marshall.

November 30. Resolved by the Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts: Peter De Wandlaer £1:4; Jacobus Fonda £1:17.

December 4. Resolved by the Board that the following accounts be allowed and that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the same: Nicholas Brewer £1:18:6; Peter Lansingh £3:2; Jos. & Ja. Caldwell 10s.

December 8. Resolved by the Board that Michael Wagener be allowed 14s. for sweeping fourteen Chimneys in the Hospital.

December 11. Ordered that the Chamberlain pay the sum of £11:4:6 instead of £8:4:6, for which a draft was given by us the 2d Nov. 1772, in favour of John Flansburgh.

An account of John P. Risaker of £2:9:6. is allowed. Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the same.

It is Resolved that the Printers Robertsons be allowed £24, in full for Printing, &c. the Ordinances, and that the Treasurer pay the same.

Resolved by the Board that Ald<sup>r</sup> Robert Yates, Peter W. Yates and John Ten Broeck be appointed a Committee to prepare Instructions for the Representatives of this County to act at the next setting of the General Assembly.

December 14. This Board received an Answer from Sir William Johnson, Bar<sup>t</sup>, to a Letter sent to him on the 4th inst. [This correspondence related to a treaty with the Mohawks, the proceedings of which will be found on a subsequent page.]

December 18. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk give orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts: John Foster £2:11:9; Jacob Lausing £2:16.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign a Deed to the Indians for the Lands at Tiononderoga to hold to them as long as they continue a Nation and are settled there, and cause the Seal of the City to be thereunto affixed.

December 27. This Board this day received a representation of their Committee of their Negotiation with the Mohawk Indians living in the Lower Castle and that they had delivered on the 20th inst. in the presence of Sir William Johnson their Superintendent a Speech.

December 31. Jeremial Van Rensselaer was this day sworn in the office of Assistant before the Mayor and Mr. Robert Yates, Guysbert G. Mersalis and Gerrit Van Sante, three of the Aldermen of the City.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Mr. John Flansbury for £7.



At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Saturday the 8th of January, 1774.

This Board was this day favoured with a Letter from Sir William Johnson, inclosed wherein was an Extract of the Proceeding of the Mohawks Indians with the Committee of this Board.

Resolved by this Board that an answer be signed by the Clerk and sent to Sir William by the Post.

January 24. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts: Lewis Foote £1:12:3; Philip Cuyler, 10s.; Adrian Bradt £1:10.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer let John Radtloff have three Skipple of wheat.

Resolved also that the Docks belonging to the Corporation be advertised to be sold at Publick Vendue on the 29th of January instant.

This Board find it necessary pursuant to their Petition delivered in the last Sessions of the Assembly requiring to be heard by Council against the passing of a Bill entitled "An act for securing to the Indians of the Lower Mohawk Village and their Descendants the pyssession of the remainder of their Lands adjacent to the same under certain regulations," That a Committe be sent down to New York to make the said objections, for which purpose they do hereby appoint Guysbert G. Merselis, Alderman, and Leonard Gansevoort, Assistant, to be a Committee, and they are hereby fully authorized and impowered either by themselves or Council to enter upon and make the said opposition to the said bill or any other bill which may be prefered to the said House to the same effect.

And for the purpose aforesaid this Board do hereby furnish the said Committee with all the Papers and Vouchers relative to the same in order for them to make such use of the said proofs as to them may appear necessary.

It is also ordered that the Chamberlain furnish the said Committee with all such Deeds and Papers as they may require from him relative to the Lands at Tiononderoge, and that the Chamberlain do also pay to the said Committee the sum of £25, for which sum they are to render an account of its Disbursements to this Board upon their return.

January 29. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favour of Michael Wageman for the sum of £4:2:6 for lighting the Lamps and Necessaries found for that purpose.

This Board have this day agreed with Thomas Lottridge and Catharine Hansen by her son for to let them have the Ferry belonging to the Corporation for the term of three years at the rate of £34 <sup>s</sup> annum, at the expiration of which term they are to deliver the Dock in the same good order it is at present. The rent to be paid annually.

Pursuant to a Resolution of this Board the Docks belonging to the Corporation were this day exposed to sale at Publick Vendue and Mr. Abraham I. Yates biding £91 for the same for the term of one year, and no one bidding more they were struck of to him for that sum.

February 8. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts: Frederick Garrison £3:11; Robert Bruce £1:8; Ex<sup>ts</sup> of Harm<sup>rs</sup> Wendell £6:0:9.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer sell 100 Skipples of the wheat belonging to the Corporation at 4s. 6d. <sup>s</sup> Skipple to those persons

who have demands on this Board, no person to have more than three Skipple at a time.

February 19. Resolved by this Board that a Warrant be drawn and directed to the Assessors and signed by the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen or the major part of them for ordering the sum of £160 to be raised from the Inhabitants &c. of this City, pursuant to an Act for that purpose made and passed the 8th day of February instant.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Monday the 21st of February, 1774—Present, the Mayor, Robert Yates, Thomas Hun, Guy<sup>r</sup> G. Merselis, Gerret Van Sante, John Ten Broeck, Peter W Yates, Jacob Roseboom, Abr<sup>m</sup> Ten Eyck, Jer<sup>h</sup> Van Renselaer, Leonard Gansevoort, Corn<sup>s</sup> Van Schelluyne, Henry Van Veghten.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor execute a Deed to Direk Van Veghten for 40 acres of Land agreeable to a Copy now before this Board. That the Chamberlain also give to John Ostrander three Skipple of wheat on account.

Mr. Mayor communicated to this Board a Letter which he had the day before received from Sir William Johnson, Bar<sup>o</sup>, in answer to one sent by this Board the 8th of January last.

March 2. This day the Assessors returned their list of Taxes for defraying the expences of the City Watch and lighting the Lamps, whereupon this Board have signed a Warrant and ordered the City Seal to be thereunto affixed, which is to be delivered to Henry Beasley, City Collector, he first giving Bond with sufficient security to Mr. Henry Bleecker, Chamberlain, for his due performance thereof.

Resolved by this Board that Jacob Fort have a Deed for two pieces of Land at Schaetikoke as surveyed by Mr. Jeremiah Van Reuselaer and his return thereof for sixpence  $\frac{3}{4}$  acre rent, first payment to be made the first day of January, 1776.

Also Resolved by this Board that a Draft of a Letter brought in by the Committe appointed for the same the last Common Council be wrote fair, and that the Clerk subscribe the same in behalf of this Board.

March 30. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay Garret Van Sante Esq. £24:11:4, which sum he advanced to sundry Labourers employed by the Corporation.

Resolved that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts: Richard Cartwright £14:18; Gerret Van Vranke £1:6:3; James Moore 16s.; France Winne 8s.; John Frier £3:11:3; Wessel Van Schaick £1:13.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer sell to Abr<sup>m</sup> C. Cuyler Esq. 500 Skipple of wheat belonging to the Corporation at 5s. 1d.  $\frac{3}{4}$  Skipple.

This Board have appointed Gerrit Van Sante and Henry Van Veghten for the first ward, Guy<sup>r</sup> G. Marselis and Cornelius Van Schelluyne for the second ward, and John Ten Broeck and Abraham Ten Eyck for the third ward a Committee to inspect and order repairs to be made to all such Bridges and other places in their respective wards as they shall think necessary.

A Petition of David Schuyler, E. Westerlo and others, Inhabitants of this City being presented to this Board, praying to have the Street that leads from the Stable of David Schuyler to the house of John Bartley paved by the persons whose Lots and Buildings join the said Street. This Board taking the same into consideration have ordered the Prayer of the said Petitioners be granted.

April 2. Mr. Alex<sup>r</sup> Cruckshanks informed this Board that he has an account against the Corporation for the sum of £10; the greatest part of which he had advanced cash to sundry Labourers employd by order of this Board, it is therefore ordered that the Treasurer pay said acc<sup>t</sup> immedy.

Resolved by this Board that the Petition of Robert Yates and Rutger Bleecker Esq<sup>rs</sup> for a piece of Ground lying to the East of the Powder house be granted at the annual rent of 10s.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign a Deed to Jacob Fort for a piece of Ground at Schaetekook in behalf of the Corporation and that the City Seal be thereunto affixed.

Resolved by this Board that the following Ordinances be this day published, viz:

A Law for regulating the Ferry between this City and Green Bush and for establishing the Rates thereof; for paving and cleaning the Streets, &c. and preventing Nuisance; for the regulating the lying of Vessels at the several Docks and Warfs of this City ascertaining the Rates to be paid for the same; for regulating Carts and Cartmen; for regulating the Public Markets; against the Prophanation of the Lords Day; for the better securing the City of Albany from the danger of Gun Powder; for the better preventing Fire; for making of Bread; to prevent Accidents by fast and immoderate Riding; to prevent Raffling; for regulating Taverns; for regulating the office of Chamberlain or Treasurer; for a Sworn Surveying of the City of Albany; for regulating of Midwives; for prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars; for regulating Fences.

Resolved by this Board that an addition be made to the north side of the middle Dock and that Jeremiah Van Renselaer, John Ten Broeck and Jacob Roseboom be appointed a Committee in order to make Report by the next meeting of the Dementions of the same and upon what terms the same can be built.

April 9. The Corporation have this day received Mr. Peter Sharps Proposals for making a Drain from the Springs from behind the Fort to the Pumps near the English Church and also for erecting Cisterns at those Springs in the following manner, viz:

To five Cisterns @ £5 each	£25
To 400 feet best pitch pine Gutter Timber 3d 7/8 foot	5
To 766 feet of drain to be dugg	21
To laying the drain and filing up	10

£61

I will furnish every thing except the Bricks.

PETER SHERP.

Which said proposals being taken into our consideration this Board doth therefore agree that the said Peter Sherp may proceed upon the making and compleating the said works, this Board allowing him the rates and charges above recited in the proportion of what works he shall make in compleating the same, and for the overlooking, directing and ordering the

said works this Board do appoint Gerrit Van Sante and Peter W. Yates a Committee for that purpose.

This Board appoint the members of the third ward or a majority of them a Committee for building and erecting a Bridge in the main Street across the Foxes Creek.

This Board appoint Gerrit Van Sante, Robert Yates, and Thomas Hun or any two of them as a Committee to make a Report to this Board at their next meeting of the situation of the Ground sold or leased to John W. Wendell and the Lot adjoining thereto.

This Board also appoint the members of the first ward or the majority of them to amend or build the Bridges across the Bever Kill and Rutten Kill.

This Board do also appoint the members of the second ward or the majority of them as a Committee for repairing the Drains and Cisterns in that ward.

The Committee or any two of them appointed the last Common Council to lay out and take in proposals for building an additional Dock to the North side of the middle Dock are further continued as a Committee for said purpose, and that they or any two of them do make report at the next meeting of this Board.

That John Radleff have 3 Skipple of wheat on account and that the Chamberlain do furnish him therewith.

April 30. Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer pay the several watch men of this City their arrears to the 8th day of April instant.

It is also Resolved by this Board that Daniel Hushen be appointed one of the Watch for said City from the eight day of April inst. in the stead of Benjamin Hilton, who is to be under the same regulations as the others.

Resolved that the Lot lying near the Foxes Creek horetofore struck off at Publick Vendue to Philip Wendell be at the desire of the Parties conveyed to Mr. Abraham Ten Eyck on the same terms that Mr. Wendell was to have it.

This day was published the following Ordinance: An Ordinance for the regulating the running at large of Swine within the Limits therein mentioned. [Law recites that the great increase of swine was found to be a nuisance, and prescribes yokes and impounding.]

May 6. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay Albert Hansen 18s. for attending the Ferry three days.

May 13. This Board have appoint Mr. Mayor with the members of the second ward or any three of them a Committee to agree with Cap<sup>n</sup> M'Alpin for the rent of the Ground he has inclosed back of the Fort.

And also to order the people out of the Hospital.

Resolved by this Board that the Chamberlain pay Step<sup>n</sup> De Lancey Esq. £20 on account.

Resolved also that Abraham Deforeest have adjoining to his the Land he has from this Board by the Deed dated the 19th of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1734, towards the road the full length of his ground of 200 yards with the breath towards the road of 25 yards, and that the Mayor execute the Deed for the same under an annual rent of one shilling.

May 19. It is resolved by this Board that an addition be made to the middle Dock adjoining the North side thereof to wit, ninety feet in length

and thirty-two feet in breadth and of the same height with said Middle Dock and a piece adjoining the north west end of said addition of twenty feet long and sixteen feet broad, that it be completed by the first day of September next, that under the inspection of Aldermen Van Sante, Merselis and Ten Broeck, and Councillors Roseboom, Schilluyne and Ten Eyck, or any three of hem, that the sum of £250, the consideration money, be paid as follows: one third thereof when the said Dock is laid and sunk, one third when finished and the remaining one third in six months after completion, and that said Gent<sup>rs</sup> do enter into written engagement with Fish in behalf of this Board for the true performance of said work and in such manner and form as they shall think expedient in the penalty of £250.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw half a dozen Advertisements to be put up at the most public places in this City for the sale at Vendue of several Lots of ground in the third ward and adjoining the Lot of Jacob Van Schaick, the Vendue to be held on the premises the second day of June at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

June 1. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay William Hilton £2:2.

June 2. This day being appointed by a former resolution for the sale of several Lots lying to the south of Jacob V. Schaick in the 3d ward of this City, the same was set up at Vendue but no person offering a sufficient sum for any of said Lots the same remain unsold for want of buyers.

It is resolved by this Board that the purchase money of the Lots of Ground of this Board heretofore leased to several Inhabitants of this City as also the rent due on the Leases be collected and paid on or before the eleventh day of July next, and that all those who have not yet renewed their Leases apply for them to the Treasurer of this Board on or before that day and the Clerk of this Board is ordered immediately to advertize this Resolution.

It is resolved by this Board that Messrs. Robert Yates, Jeremiah Van Renselaer and Thomas Hun or either of them lay out and survey the Bounds of this City and lay out the Wards with their divisions and subdivisions, Streets, Lanes and Alleys and make a return to this Board of a Plan or Chart thereof within three months from this day, and it is further resolved that they or either of them report to this Board of all encroachments made on the property of this Board.

June 4. An Ordinance to amend an Ordinance entitled An Ordinance for regulating the running at large of Swine within the limits herein mentioned.

It is Resolved that every person who shall be guilty of breaking the Pound made for pounding of Hogs, &c. shall forfeit and pay for every offence twenty shillings to be recovered by Warrant under the hand and seal of any one of the Aldermen of said City.

June 11. At the request of Mr. Ten Broeck and Mr. Livingston for the Charter and some of the Deeds belonging to the Corporation relative to the Lands at the Verrebergh. It is resolved that the Chamberlain attend the Court with the Charter but not with any Deeds. It is further Resolved that this matter be taken into consideration by a future full Board.

June 28. Whereas the Mayor and Chamberlain were served with a Subpœna and Ducestecum to appear at the Supream Court to begin to day and produce several Deeds therein mentioned, it is resolved by this Board that the Mayor and Chamberlain attend the Court with those Deeds, but object against producing them because those Deeds being given in Evidence will affect and interfere with the claim and property of this Board. But if upon the whole the Supream Court should order the said Deeds to be produced and given in Evidence, then the same is to be done.

July 21. Resolved by this Board that the Chamberlain sell all the wheat of the Corporation which he has now in his custody at 5s.  $\frac{1}{2}$  Skipple except fifty Skipples for the use of the creditors of this Board each one Bagg at 5s  $\frac{1}{2}$  Skipple.

Aug. 8. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts: Leballus Heligas £2:6; Michael Wageman of £5:11; Jacob Bogart £11:18:9; Abraham Hoghkerk, £7:14:9; Willm Van Den Bergh. 3s. 9d; Philip J. Connor 2s. 6.

Resolved by the Board that the Chamberlain let John Radliff have three Skipple of wheat on account.

Resolved that as it is reported by Mr. Mayor that Mr. Peter Douw has encroached on some Ground of this Board in the first ward at Rutten Kill, that Messrs. Peter W. Yates, Guy<sup>t</sup> G. Marselis and Tho<sup>s</sup> Hun and Jeremiah Van Renselaer or any three of them be a Committee to have a meeting with Mr. Douw on the subject and make report of the result of their meeting with all convenient speed.

It is also resolved that those Gent<sup>l</sup> apply to the Attornies who have suits in hand of this Board in order to see what progress they have made in such suits and what monies they may have received for this Board, and that they also inquire at the Chamberlains what purchase monies are due to this Board on the sales of Lots of Ground westward of the City and make report accordingly to this Board as soon as possible.

It is Resolved by this Board that the Marshall do immediately give notice to all person and persons whomsoever, now residing or possessing any of the Rooms or Cellars in the Hospital to give up his or their possession on or before the 22d day of August inst., and that in case of a non compliance of a refusal of this resolution the several Constables of this City do attend on the 23d of Aug<sup>t</sup> inst. in order to dispossess and remove such person or persons as shall so neglect or refuse as aforesaid.

On application of Gerrit Van Sante Esq. it is resolved that he have a Lot of Ground lying in the third ward of this City on the north of the Lot formerly granted to Sir W<sup>m</sup> Johnson, being in front and rere thirty-seven feet, for the consideration of eighty-nine pounds and if less so in proportion, and Jer<sup>n</sup> Van Renselaer be appointed to survey and draw the Deeds for the same.

It is farther ordered by this Board that John Ten Broeck, Peter W. Yates and Robert Yates be a Committee to make a Draft of an Ordinance to regulate the Elections of the different Officers of the City and that they lay the same before this Board with all convenient speed.

At a Common Council held at the House of John Knickerbacker at Schacktekook the 12th of August, 1774.

It is resolved by this Board that Harmin Quackenboss have one hundred

acres of Wood Land at Schactekook @ six pence  $\text{̄}$  acre a year, and also another piece adjoining Peter Benneway and Peter Vielen of seven or eight acres more or less, and that he is to pay the same proportion that Benneway and Velen do for theirs, and survey be made thereof previous to the execution of the Deed.

Resolved that the Mayor do execute a Deed to Dirk T. Vaghten fore one hundred and three acres of Wood Land at Schactekook at six  $\text{̄}$  acre yearly and every year, the first payment thereof to be made on the first day of January 1776, which Deed was accordingly executed. And also to execute a Deed to Jacob Fort for sixty-four acres at thirty-two shillings yearly rent, the first payment thereof to be made on the first day of January, 1776, which Deed was accordingly executed agreeable to a resolution of the second day of April last.

It is Resolved by this Board that Peter Devenport is to have the quantity of one hundred acres more or less adjoining the woods and of Harmin Quackenboss at the yearly rent of six pence  $\text{̄}$  acre and that a survey be made thereof previous to the execution of the Deed.

And it is further resolved by this Board that the Mayor execute a Deed to John W. Groesbeek for twenty-six acres three rods and fifteen perches of Wood Land at Schactekook @ six pence  $\text{̄}$  acre yearly, the first payment to be made first Juny 1776, which Deed was executed accordingly, as also for a small piece of Land there containing seven acres and one rod at the yearly rent of three Skipples of wheat, the first payment to be made January the 1st, 1776.

It is further resolved that Henry Bleecker Esq. be Attorney to this Corporation to seize, take and distrain of the Goods and Chattles of Lewis Vielen of Schaetecook for fourteen pounds for nine years rent due to this Board by him, and to pursue the proper remedy for the recovery of said rent, and this shall be sufficient warrant and power for the said Henry Bleecker. Whereupon the said Vielen gave this Board his note of hand for said rent.

It is further resolved that the Mayor Execute a Deed to Nicholas Young for thirteen acres and half of Wood Land at Schaetecook @ one shilling  $\text{̄}$  acre a year, which Deed was accordingly executed, the first payment to be made the first day of January, 1776.

Mr. Gerrit Van Bombele requested the Corporation to suspend his rent for one other year on account of his late loss by fire, upon which the Corporation resolved to take the same into consideration and untill a full Board be met.

It is farther resolved that the Mayor execute a Deed to Martin Winne for seventeen acres of Wood Land at Schaetecook at the yearly rent of eight shillings  $\text{̄}$  year, the first payment thereof to be made on the first day of January, 1776, which Deed was accordingly executed.

August 22. An Ordinance for regulating the Election of Aldermen and Assistants in the City of Albany declaring the Qualification of the Voters.

Whereas by the Charter of Incorporation of the said City it is willed and appointed that the Aldermen and Assistants within the said City be yearly chosen on the Feast Day of St. Michael the Arch Angel forever, viz, two Aldermen and two Assistants for each respective ward, &c., and that by a majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants of each ward.

And whereas doubts and disputes have arisen in the said City respect-

ing the qualification of the Inhabitants necessary to constitute legal votes and many Elections have heretofore been drawn in question and upon a scrutiny of the Poles this Board has found great difficulty, for the preventing of which for the future and in order to ascertain who shall be entitled to and have a legal vote in consequence of the word Inhabitants mentioned in said Charter.

Be it therefore ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the said City in Common Council Convened, and it is hereby ordained by authority of the same, that from henceforth in every Election for Aldermen and Assistants for any of the wards of said City, the Inhabitants of said City within the meaning of said Charter shall be persons actually residing within the said City or the Liberties or Precinct thereof and born there.

And be it further ordained by the authority aforesaid, that every person tho not born within the said City or within the Liberty or Precinct thereof shall be entitled and have a right to vote if he is a natural born subject or made a subject of the Crown of Great Britain by an act or statute or Letters of Dinization, provided such persons shall have actually resided in the said City or within the Liberty or Precincts thereof at least forty days previous to such Election and provided also he have obtained the Freedom of said City at any time before said Election.

And be it further ordained by the authority aforesaid that every person who has a freehold Estate in the said City or within the Liberties or Precincts thereof, tho not born there nor having obtained the Freedom of the said City shall be entitled to and have a vote in such ward wherein his said freehold Estate lies, but shall have only one vote tho he has freehold Estate in several wards.

And be it further ordained by the authority aforesaid, that every person so qualified to vote as aforesaid shall be entitled to and have right to vote only in the ward where he has his actual residence as aforesaid, and in case any person so voting as aforesaid has removed from one ward to another for the sole purpose of voting in such latter ward his vote so given shall be void.

And be it further ordained by the authority aforesaid, that no person under the age of twenty-one years shall have a legal vote, nor an Alien, nor a Servant, nor an Apprentice, nor a Prisoner or Debtor in Goal.

And be it further ordained by the authority aforesaid, that no other person or persons whatsoever other than those qualified as before mentioned shall be entitled to or have a legal vote in any of the said Elections but every vote given contrary to this Ordinance shall be and is hereby declared to be null and void.

And be it further ordained by the authority aforesaid, that on scrutinies of the Poles of any Election where other sufficient proofs cannot be had satisfactory to this Board concerning the validity or legality of any vote in such case the person whose vote shall be questioned shall be examined on oath, and in case of a neglect or refusal his vote on such scrutiny shall be held to be null and void.

Passed the 22d of August, 1774, in Common Council, and resolved that the same be immediately published and one copy of this Ordinance be fixed up in some public place in each ward as soon as convenient by the Marchel, and that the Clerk draw said Copies for that purpose, and that this Ordinance be filed and entered on the Records of this Board.

ABR<sup>m</sup> C. CUYLER, Mayor.



August 31. Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer pay to John Ostrander in behalf of the Constables for Sunday service out of the Watch money the sum of £4:12.

Resolved also that the Treasurer pay to John Fish the sum of £83:6:8, deducting what he has received on his first payment.

September 22. Resolved by the Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts: Adrian Bradt £13:16; John Gansevoort 8s.

Resolved also that at the next General Election of Officers of the City, that there be an additional Constable elected in each ward.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Alban on Thursday the 29th of Sept<sup>r</sup>, 1774—Present, the Mayor, John H. Ten Eyck, Esq., Recorder, Guy<sup>t</sup> G. Merselis, Robert Yates, John Ten Broeck, Thomas Hun, Henry Van Veghten, Abraham Ten Eyck, Leonard Gansevoort, Corn<sup>s</sup> Van Schelluyne, Jacob Roseboom.

This day being appointed by Charter for electing Aldermen, Assistants, and Constables for this City, the same were chosen and returned as follows:

<i>First Ward.</i>		
Aldermen.	Assistants.	Constables.
Peter W. Yates	Henry Van Veghten	James Green
Gerrit Van Sante	Jacob Roseboom	Jacob Kidney.
<i>Second Ward.</i>		
Robert Yates	Corn <sup>s</sup> Van Schelluyne	John Ostrander
Guysbert G. Marselis	Jeremiah Van Renselaer	William Adams.
<i>Third Ward.</i>		
John Ten Broeck	Leonard Gansevoort	Samuel Pruyne Jun <sup>r</sup>
Thomas Hun	Abraham Ten Eyck	Rocloff Cole.

This Board have appointed Henry Bleecker Esq. City Chamberlain, and John Ostrander Marshal for the ensuing year.

October 8. Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer pay to Peter Lansingh the sum of £6:3 and that the Clerk give an order for the same.

October 14. This day being appointed by Charter to qualify the several Officers of this Board, the following having taken the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy were also sworn to the due execution of their several offices:

Gerrit Van Sante Alderman for first ward; Henry Van Veghten, Jacob Roseboom, Assistants.

Robert Yates, Guy<sup>t</sup> G. Merselis, Aldermen for second ward; Jer<sup>h</sup> Van Renselaer, Assistant.

Thomas Hun, John Ten Broeck, Aldermen for third ward; Leonard Gansevoort, Assistant.

John Ostrander, High Constable; James Green, Jacob Kidney, Sam<sup>l</sup> Pruy<sup>n</sup> Jun., Constables.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor in behalf of this Board sign Articles of Agreement with Thomas Skidmore for sweeping the Chimneys and lighting the Lamps within this City.

Resolved also that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the second payment of the Dock to Jeremiah Tomkins, deducting what has already been paid, as also the fifty pounds to William Charles.

Ordered by this Board that Guy<sup>t</sup> G. Marselis, Robert Yates and Thomas Hun be a Committe to go too Hosack in order to inspect the road next Tuesday.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts: John Ostrander, Marchel, £15; the Const<sup>e</sup> for Sunday service £1:4; John Tingue 12s.; Benjamin Wallace 8s.; John T. Vischer £8:8; Michael Wagoner £3:19:6.

November 7. Abraham C. Cuyler Esq. produces a Commission appointing him Mayor of the City and Clerk of the Markets and Coróner for the City and County of Albany, who took the Oaths appointed by Law and was to the due execution of his several offices.

Cornelius Van Schelluyne and Abraham Ten Eyck were this day qualified for Assistants to this Board.

The Committee appointed by this Board to examine whether the road leading from Brattleborough in Cumberland County to Sanford could not be continued upon a straight Line to the House of Peter Limmers in Little Hosick, Report that the same is practicable and that it will curtail the distance at least thirteen miles. It is therefore Resolved by this Board that the Commissioners appointed to lay out the said Road open it from Stanford to the House of Said Limmers before the Subscription money of this Board be paid, and that the Clerk furnish Mr. Malieha Church one of the Com<sup>a</sup> with a copy of this resolve.

Resolved that the Treasurer pay the City Watch their wages due to the 30th of Oct. last, being 6 months.

Resolved also that the High Const<sup>e</sup> appoint two of the Const<sup>e</sup> of this City to attend the Ferry during the Fair.

Resolved likewise that an Election be held on Fryday next in the second ward for chosing a Constable in stead of William Adams a non resident chosen the last Election—and the like in the third ward on the same day for chosing a Constable in the stead of Rolieff Cole who has left the City.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer pay to Peter Lansing five pounds and that the Clerk give an order for the same.

November 19. Agreeable to a former resolve of this Board Samuel Bellus was this day returned as a Constable for the second ward duly elected by the Inhabitants thereof on Fryday last.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts: John Ostrander 18s.; Jacob Cidney 18s.; Ostrander & Van Deusen 8s.; William Flansburg £1:12.

This Board have appointed John W. Wendell and William Van Sante for the first ward, Harmanus A. Wendell and Tho<sup>s</sup> Witbeck for the second ward, Obadiah Cooper and Isaac I. Truax for the third ward, fire masters for the ensuin year who are to execute said office agreeable to an Ordinance for that purpose lately made and provided.

It is resolved that the Constables of each ward or any three of them do forthwith go to the Hospital and turn out and remove out of the same any person inhabiting therein with Baggage and Goods unless they voluntarily remove them without delay.

Peter W. Yates Esq. having taken the Oaths appointed by Law was sworn to the due execution of his office as Alderman for the first ward of this City.

December 7. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay Thomas Skidmore 19s. ; Staats V. Santvort £4:9:8.

This Board have agreed with Mr. Abraham Eights to release to him a Lot of ground of about 36 feet front, fronting a small street and bounded north to the Lot lately bought by Jacob Van Schaick, the length as laid out by John Bleecker, he paying therefor at the rate Jacob Van Schaick bought said Lots and perpetual annual rent of six shillings; the sum of £50 part of the consideration to be paid at the execution of the deed and the remainder within eighteen months after the date of the said Deeds, he paying for the drawing of said Deeds.

Resolved that the Treasurer let John Radliff have three Skipple of wheat on account.

December 31. Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer pay the following accounts and that the Clerk give orders for the same: Peter De Wandlaer £11:0:3; Johannes Flansburgh £4:12; Peter Sharp £89:16:8½.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Thursday the 5th day of January, 1775—Present, the Mayor, Robert Yates, Gerret Van Sante, John Ten Broeck, Thomas Hun, Guy G. Marselis, Leonard Gansevoort, Abraham Ten Eyck, Corn<sup>o</sup> Van Scheluyne, Jer<sup>o</sup> Van Renselaer, Jacob Roseboom.

Resolved by this Board that an Election be held in the third ward for choosing a Constable in the stead Reliff Cole who was chosen the last elec<sup>n</sup> as he is disqualified to serve in that office.

Resolved also that the Treasurer pay to John Ostrander the sum of £2:12 in behalf of the two Constables who attended 13 Sundays in the streets.

January 30. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay Bazil Francis six pounds for taking care of the Town Clock one year.

This Board have agreed with John Abbot to take care of said Clock @ £6 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> annum to commence the 1st of this inst.

This Board being informed that a number of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of Saratoga and other adjacent parts have lately presented or do soon intend to present a petition to the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council for a Patent or Grant for incorporating that part of the country into a Borough, &c. It is resolved by this Board that as such a Grant will affect the Rights and Property of this Board, that a Caveat be entered and filed against the passing of such a Grant.

Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay Tho<sup>s</sup> Skidmore £3:10:6 for lighting the Lamps and materials found for the same. Also that he pay John Radliff for one year ringing the Bell and that said Radliff have 3 Skipples of wheat on acc<sup>t</sup>.

Resolved likewise that the Treasurer pay Tho<sup>s</sup> Hun £5:12 for one Barrel Oyl for the use of the Lamps.

It is also Resolved that the Treasurer pay to Malica Church the sum of £15 subscribed by this Board towards a Road lately made by said Church and others, and that the Clerk draw an order for the same.

February 6. Ebenezer Jessup this day presented a Petition with a Map annexed to this Board praying a grant for a piece of ground belonging to the Corporation, which is bounded as follows: Beginning at the

north end of Warran street and running from thence N. 45° W. 58c. 25l. (as the Needle pointed in the year 1765) to the north Bounds of a Tract of Ground granted to the Minister, Elders and Deacons of the reformed Protestant Dutch Church in Albany, thence along the said bounds 27° 30' E. 44c. 50l. to the eastern Corner thereof, thence farther along the said bounds S. 21° 30' W. 2c. 50l. to Queen street, thence along Queen street S. E. 14c. 80l. to Warran street, thence along the same N. E. 15c. to the place of beginning, containing about 48 acres, excepting out of the same the Lands granted to Hageman, which being taken into consideration it is resolved that the same be granted on the following conditions: That all the streets which intersect this tract as laid out by this Board in the year 1765 be reserved out of the same; that the Square in which Hageman has two Lots released to him he pay twenty shillings for each acre, but that previous to the executing Deeds for the same, it is resolved that an actual survey and return be made of the said Lands.

This appoint Gerrit Van Sante, Robert Yates and Tho<sup>s</sup> Hun to be a Committee to wait on the Supervisors of this County to request them to present to the Assembly the raising the sum of £100 to purchase a Bell for the County Court House and the expences of putting up the same.

February 11. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay Bastian I. Visscher the sum of £9:1 for repairing the Schenectady Road and for waggon hire. As also an order in favour of W<sup>m</sup> Hun for 12s. 6d.

The Aldermen of the second ward return a Pole whereby it appears that Evert Evertse was duly elected Constable for said ward on the tenth of this inst. agreeable to a former resolve of this Board.

Agreeable to Advertisement the Docks were this day sold at Publick Vendue to William Pemberton for £103 untill the first day of January next for which he is to give this Board good security within a fortnight.

February 23. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay Abraham I. Yates £2:1.

Ordered by this Board that a warrant be drawn by the Clerk directed to the Assessors and signed by the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen or the major part of them for ordering the sum of £160 to be raised from the Inhabitants &c. of this City pursuant to an Act for that purpose made and passed the 31st of January last, and that they make return thereof to this Board the 2d day of March next.

Resolved also that a Letter be wrote and signed by the Clerk to Messrs. Ten Eyck, Schuyler and Ten Broeck desiring them to profer a Bill to the House of Assembly in order to raise the sum of £100 on the Inhabitants of the City and County of Albany for the purpose of having a Bell hung in the Court House of the said City and County.

This Board concluding it necessary that Bounds of the Patent granted to Hendrick Van Renselaer and now belonging to the Corporation of the City of Albany ought to be run out, they have therefore agreed for the above purpose that Jeremiah Van Renselaer make a survey thereof and Guy G. Marselis and Abr<sup>m</sup> Ten Eyck, two of the members of the Corporation attend on him to see the survey performed and that they make a return thereof at the next Common Council.

The above three members are also authorized and impowered to collect from their Tenants at Schactekook the Fowles which are due and in arrear

to the Corporation and that they render a just account of the number they may receive in consequence of the above power and from whom. And also that the said members take a Copy out of the Records of this Board of all those persons who have had the priviledge granted them to cutt Logs off of the Corporations Land at Schactekook, which persons are to render an account on Oath of the Quantity they have cut and that the said members collect the money for the same.

March 2. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following acc<sup>ts</sup>: Lucas Van Veghten £2:3:2; John Van Tile 8s.; John McDonald £3:4.

The Assessors having this day returned a List of the Taxes for defraying the charges of the Night Watch in this City and lighting the Lamps in the streets thereof, It is Resolved that a Warrant be drawn directed to Henry Beasley, Collector, signed by this Board and that the City Seal be thereunto affixed in order for to collect the same, and that the said Henry Beasley give good security to the Chamberlain of this Board for the due performance thereof.

March 24. The following accounts were this day allowed and ordered to be paid by the Treasurer: Tekarias Van D Bogart 8s.; Daniel Degraaf 13s. 4d.

A Petition of Bowdewin Kip was presented to this Board praying a Lease for ever for a peice or parcel of Land adjoining Johannes Benne-ways Land at Schactecook. Ordered that Jer<sup>b</sup> Van Kenselaer survey the same and make a return thereof to this Board, and that the prayer of the Petitioner shall be granted if this Board can agree with him for the rent.

Resolved that the Treasurer let John Ostrander and John Radliff each have three Skipples of wheat on account.

April 13. Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer pay the City Watch six months wages computed from the time of the last payment.

April 19. Resolved that the Treasurer pay the following acc<sup>ts</sup>: Abraham Roseboom £5:14; John Ostrander and other, to be paid out of the Watch money, £2:18.

A Draft of a Letter to the Lieut Governor was brought in by Ald<sup>rs</sup> Robert Yates and Marselis who were appointed a Committe for that purpose, which being approved of, Ordered that the same be fairly copied and that the Mayor sign it in behalf of this Board.

Ordered by the Board that Guy<sup>t</sup> G. Marselis, Tho<sup>s</sup> Hun and R. Yates be a Committe to confer with Doct Van Dyck in behalf of Peter Douw, who claims ground near the Rutten Kill upon leaving the matter in controversy between this Board and him to Arbitrators and that they report by the next meeting of this Board the result of their Conference.

May 4. Volckert P. Douw, Henry Bleecker and Abraham Yates in the name of a Committee of twenty-one persons called the Committee of Correspondence, Safety and Protection, waited on this Board with a request to this Board to establish a night watch of at least fifteen persons for the better preservation of the Peace within this City at these times of publick Commotions and Disturbance, which request this Board have taken into consideration and have resolved that they do not as a Board deem it

prudent or expedient to constitute any other Night Watch than the one already established.

May 20. Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer pay the following accounts and that the Clerk draw orders on him for the same: John Hansen and other £1; James Green 2s. 6d.; Sander Lansing 10s. 6d.; John J<sup>r</sup> Abbot £4:12:6.

May 22. A Letter was this day shewn to the Board by Mr. Mayor from Col. Guy Johnson directed to the Corporation of the City of Albany and the Majistrates and Committee of the Township of Schenectady as also a Speech of one of the Mohawk Chiefs.

Resolved by this Board that Messrs. Peter W. Yates, Guy<sup>t</sup> G. Marselis, Jeremiah Van Renselaer and Leonard Gansevoort be a Committee to draw an Answer to said Letter as also to said Speech.

June 17. Resolved by this Board that the Mayor execute a Lease and Release to Robert McClallen for a Lot in the third ward at the river side. Also that he execute a Lease to Abraham Eights and another to Jacob Van Schaick each for a Lot in the third ward at the river side and that the Chamberlain affix the City Seal to the above Deed and Leases.

Resolved that the Board accept an assignment of a Lease of Robert Henry to Gerrit Van Sante for the sum of six shillings  $\text{₹}$  annum in lieu of the annual rent which should be given for the lot sold Robert McClallen.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay Thomas Skidmore the sum of £4, for lighting the Lamps three months and providing necessaries for that purpose.

June 24. Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign a Lease to Abraham Eights for a Lot of ground at the river side, in behalf of this Board and that the City Seal be thereunto affixed.

Resolved that the last payment due on the Dock built by Mr. Fish be paid to said Fish or order by the Treasurer.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer pay to Stephen De Lancey or order the sum of £127 for attending this Board as Clerk from the first day of June 1769 to the 1st of June 1775, at £16  $\text{₹}$  year, providing Books, Paper, &c. for this Board at 50s.  $\text{₹}$  year and drawing several Leases.

Resolved that Advertisements be put up and that the Cryer give public notice to the Inhabitants of this City that any of them may be supplied with any quantity of wheat not exceeding six Skipplles at 4s. 6d, by applying to the Chamberlain before the first day of July next.

Resolved also that the Treasurer supply John Ostrander and John Radliff each with three Skipplles of wheat and charge the same to their accounts.

Resolved likewise that Nicholas Marselis, Harmanus Wendell and Peter Lansingh appear before this Board at their next meeting to render account of their proceedings as Overseers of the Roads for the City of Albany.

Resolved by this Board that Treasurer pay the City watch all the wages due to them, they rendering an account upon Oath of the time they have respectively served as watchmen in the employ of the Corporation

Resolved that the members of the second ward be a Committee to have the Bridge over the Foxes Creek in said ward repaired as soon as possible.

Resolved also that Messrs. Robert Yates, Guy<sup>t</sup> G. Marselis, Gerrit Van

Sante and Thomas Hun be a Committee to report to this Board the scituation of the Bridge near Marselis's Pasture, with respect to the south west Bounds of this City.

June 26. Resolved by this Board that Messrs. Robert Yates, Gerrit Van Sante, Thomas Hun and Jer<sup>h</sup> V. Renselaer be a Committee to wait on the Grand Jury and represent to them the scituation of the Bridge near Marselises Pasture with respect to the Bounds of this City.

September 4. Resolved by this Board that the Mayor sign a Deed to John Williamson in behalf of this Board for a Lot of ground lying at the river side and that the City Seal be thereunto affixed.

Resolved that the Treasurer pay to John Ostrander and several other Constables (as mentioned in an account delivered to this Board) their respective wages for Sunday service, the whole amounting to £3:18.

Resolved by this Board that the Mayor write to his Excellency the Gov<sup>r</sup> Tryon in behalf of the Corporation praying him to pardon the Negro Slave named Tom of the Widow Hoghnan now under sentence of Death.

September 13. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts: Johannis Flansburgh Jun. £4; Jacob Bogardus £29:14:6; Tho<sup>s</sup> Skidmore for lighting the Lamps &c. £4:2:4.

Resolved that the Treasurer pay to Thomas Hun Esq. £5 immediately, to be applied to particular uses by him in behalf of this Board.

September 28. Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer pay to Michael Wagoner the sum of £6 which is allowed to him for repairs done to the house he formerly lived in. As also account of Dirck Hun £3:5:6; Lukas and Ab<sup>m</sup> Hooghkerk £10:8:10.

Resolved also that one additional Constable be chosen at the ensuing Election for each ward.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Fry-day the 29th of Sept<sup>r</sup>, 1775—Present, the Mayor, John H. Ten Eyck, Esq., Recorder, Guysbert G. Marselis, Robert Yates, Peter W. Yates, Thomas Hun, John Ten Broeck, Henry Van Veghten, Jacob Roseboom, Corn<sup>s</sup> Van Schelluyne, Leonard Gansevoort, Abraham Ten Eyck.

This day being appointed by Charter for the election of Aldermen, Assistants, and Constables for this City, the following were returned duly elected for the ensuing year :

<i>First Ward.</i>		
Aldermen.	Assistants.	Constables.
Peter W. Yates	Jacob Roseboom	James Green
Gerrit Van Sante	Arie Legrange	Jacob Kidney.
<i>Second Ward.</i>		
Guysbert G. Marselis	Corn <sup>s</sup> Van Schelluyne	John Ostrander
John Jacob Beeckman	Jere <sup>h</sup> Van Renselaer	Isachar Child.
<i>Third Ward.</i>		
Thomas Hun	Abraham Schuyler	Isaac A. Fonda
John Ten Broeck	Abraham Ten Eyck	William Adams.

This Board have appointed Henry Bleecker Esq. Treasurer, and John Ostrander Marshal for the ensuing year.

October 14. This day being appointed by the Charter to qualify the Officers of this City, the following took the Oaths of Supremacy and Allegiance, subscribed the Test, and were sworn to the due execution of their respective offices :

Peter W. Yates, Gerrit Van Sante Aldermen for first ward.

Guysbert G. Marselis, John Jacob Beeckman, Aldermen for second ward; Cornelius Van Schelluyne, Assistant.

Thomas Hun, Alderman for third ward; Abraham Schuyler, Abraham Ten Eyck, Assistants. John Ostrander, Marshall.

Resolved that with all convenient speed a Constable be elected in the 2d ward instead of Isacher Child.

October 24. Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer pay the Constables for Sunday service £1:4.

Alderman Marselis and Beeckman return a Poll by which it appears that Samuel Stephenson is elected Constable for the second ward, instead of Isacher Child, who was rejected by the Board the last meeting.

November 6. The following persons were this day qualified as members of this Board and took their seats accordingly :

John Ten Broeck, Alderman; Arie Legrange, Jacob Roseboom Asst<sup>s</sup>.

This Board have appointed the following persons Fire Masters for the ensuing year: Hendrick Hogan and Ephraim Van Veghten for the first Ward; Abraham Bogart and Peter W. Douw for the second ward; Teunis T. Van Veghten and Abraham A. Lansing for the third ward.

Robert Lausing delivered in an acc<sup>t</sup> against the Corp<sup>n</sup> of £5:10, for keeping the fire Engines in repair. Ordered that the Treasurer pay the same.

December 13. Resolved that the Mayor sign two Deeds to Ebenezer Jessup in behalf of this Board for two pieces or Tracts of Land lying near the German Church west of the City heretofore agreed to be sold to him, and that the City Seal be thereto affixed.

Resolved that an account of Alderman Van Sante be allowed and that the Clerk draw a special order on the Treasurer to pay the same immediately, the amount of which is £84:7:8.

Resolved that the Treasurer pay John Radliff the Bellringer his last years Salary, £5.

Resolved that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts, viz: William Van Wie £1:13:3; Tefta Stensel £2:10:3; John Ostrander and Jacob Kidney £1:16; Gerrit T. Visscher 15s. 8d; John Gansevoort £2:4; Benjamin Howey £1:13; John Barclay £5; Peter Van Deusen £3:14; Gerrit Hallenbeck £2:8; Arent Van Deusen £3:18; Henry Van Wie £1:9:9; Abraham Bogart £2:5:3; Walter Angus and William Brooks £3.

Frederick Clute appeared before this Board and desired them to make an abatement of the rents claimed by them from him for Lands at Tionnonderoga, by reason of his having been repeatedly interrupted by the Mohawk Indians in the possession and cultivation of those Lands, and as this Board is well convinced of the truth of such representation and justness of such request, it is Resolved that an abatement be made of £20.



At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Tuesday the 6th day of February, 1776.

Resolved that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following acct<sup>s</sup>: John Hall 12s; Patrick Ryan 12s.

Likewise to pay John Flansburgh £10, which sum he has advanced for the service of the Corporation. Also an order for three Schipples wheat for J. Radliff.

February 12. Resolved that the Clerk draw orders to pay the following accounts: Thomas Hun Esq. £3:18; Gerrit Whitbeck 12s.; Thomas Hilton £1:4:6.

Whereas this Board had intended this day to have exposed to sale at publick Vendue the Docks and Wharfs for the ensuing year, but on the application of some of the Skippers and by reason of the publick Confusion and the unhappy state of the Country at this time, this Board have Resolved to postpone such sale to a future day.

It is Resolved that the following Ordinances be renewed and revised. [Same as at page 261.]

March 2. Resolved by this Board that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts: John Roff £1:16; John Hall and Phil. Elsworth 16s.; Frederick Gerritse 16s; William Mackintosh 8s.

Resolved that the assise of Bread for the next ensuing three months be as follows: Flour at 16s. per hundred a Loaf of Bread at four Coppers to weigh 1lb. 13oz., and that Barent Staats Jun. be the inspector or viewer of Bread for the ensuing year.

As Mr. Jacob Van Schaick in behalf of Nicholas Brewer informs this Board that he is willing to decline the Deeds for the two Lots in this City agreed to be conveyed to said Brewer, in consideration whereof the said Brewer is willing to pay this Board £6:8. It is resolved that such proposal be accepted of. And as Mr. Stewart Dean now applys for Deeds of the same two Lots of ground on the consideration whereon the same were to be conveyed to said Brewer, it is resolved that the Clerk draw Deeds accordingly and present them to the Board at the next meeting of Com: Council in order that the same may be executed.

Resolved that the Treasurer of this Board call on Mr. Jacob Van Schaick for the above sum of £6:8 and give his receipt for the same.

March 23. Resolved that the Clerk draw orders on the Treasurer to pay the following acct<sup>s</sup>: Jacob Bleecker £2:11; John J. Bleecker £5:2; John Hood 8s.

This Board received a request from the Committee of this City which is in the following words:

Albany Committee Chamber 9th March, 1776.

This Committee last Summer from a just sense of the necessity of preserving the tranquility of this City did establish a Night Watch, by reason whereof the Corporation were eased of the Expence of maintaining the slender Guard then existing, consequently part of the money raised by Tax on the Inhabitants of this City for the professed purpose of a Watch remains in their hands undisposed of.

As this Committe have necessarily incurred an expence in repairing a Watch House and furnishing it with wood and candles, therefore Resolved

that the account of such expence hitherto accrued be laid before the Corporation and that they be requested to discharge the same out of the money raised as aforesaid.

Extract from the Minutes.

MAT VISSCHER, Secy.

Whereupon it is Resolved by this Board that the Aldermen of each respective ward do as soon as possible take the sence or opinion of the Citizens on the Subject in writing and that they make report at the next Common Council, and if in case it shall then appear that a Majority of the Citizens do consent and agree to such request of said Committee then this Board will give comply with said request and grant an order on the Treasurer for that purpose.

Resolved by this Board that the Treasurer sell the wheat belonging to the Corporation at 4s. 7<sup>d</sup> Skipple, reserving only 200 Skipple; that every person to whom this Board is indebted may have nine Skipples of wheat at the above price towards their Debt out of the said 200 Skipples.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on Monday 25 March, 1776—Present, the Mayor, Recorder, Guy<sup>t</sup> G. Marselis, Peter W. Yates, Thomas Hun, Abraham Ten Eyck, Abraham Schuyler, Arie LeGrange.

This Board have agreed with Mr. Abraham J. Yates that he is to be Dock Master for the ensuing year and that he collect the Dock money agreeable to the Ordinance in that case made and provided, and that he have for said service £15, and that he give Bonds in the sum of £100 for the faithful performance.

This Board have appointed Joseph Yates inspector of Bread for the ensuing year instead of Barent Staats who declined and do allow him £5 for his trouble.

[There is a hiatus here in the Minutes, by which it would seem that the meetings of the Common Council were suspended two years. On the 17th February, 1778, the legislature passed "An act to remove doubts concerning the corporation of the city of Albany," which recites that, whereas the inhabitants did not at the proper period, owing to the confusion of the times occasioned by the calamities of the war, elect their aldermen in strict conformity with the charter, nor appoint their officers; and on account of the establishment of independency, and the change of government in this state in consequence thereof, the members of the said corporation could not take the usual oaths, by reason whereof doubts might arise, as well to the prejudice of the estates, rights, &c. of the inhabitants, as concerning the validity of the election, and the authority of the magistrates; "for the removal whereof, and to the end that all and singular the said estates, &c. may remain as good, valid and unimpeached in the law as the same were at and immediately before the 19th day of April, 1775, and that the said magistrates and other members, may exercise their several offices and functions without any legal or other let, hindrance or impediment whatsoever," the charter and all the rights of the corporation which they held on the 19th of April, 1775, were confirmed, notwithstanding nonuser or misuser between the 18th April, 1775, and the 1st March, 1778; and all the magistrates and members of the corporation were declared able to exercise their several offices, and to appoint such officers as ought to have been appointed on the anniversary day prescribed in the charter, notwithstanding the want of conformity in the election or appointments. The mayor and other officers were required as soon as possible to meet at the City Hall, or some other convenient place in the city, to qualify by taking the oaths, before entry on the exercise of their offices. It is presumed that the committee of safety exercised the functions of the common council in the mean time.]

ALBANY, 17th April, 1778.

List of the names of the Members of the Corporation of the City of Albany :

\*John Barclay, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Mayor. \*Abraham Yates, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Esq<sup>r</sup>, Recorder.

Aldermen.  
 \*John Roorbach,  
 \*John Price,  
 \*Jacob Lansing, Jun<sup>r</sup>,  
 \*Abraham Cuyler,  
 \*John M. Beeckman,  
 Harmanus Wendell.

Assistants.  
 \*Abraham I. Yates,  
 \*Matthew Visscher,  
 \*Isaac D. Fonda,  
 \*Jacob Bleecker,  
 \*Cornelius Swits,  
 \*Abraham Schuyler.

A number of the Members of the Corporation, in pursuance of two several Acts of the Legislature of this State, the one an Act, entitled "An Act to remove Doubts concerning the Corporation of the City of Albany," and the other an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act to remove doubts concerning the Corporation of the City of Albany," met this 17th day of April 1778 at the City Hall of the said City of Albany, and being convened in the Common Council Chamber proceeded to the perusal of the said two several Acts, and after having perused the same, produced their several Credentials which were read and approved as follows :

John Barclay Esq<sup>r</sup> produced a Commission under the Great Seal of this State appointing him Mayor and Clerk of the Markets of this City and Coroner of the said City and County for the year ensuing and untill another fit person be appointed and sworn in his stead.

Abraham Yates Jun<sup>r</sup>, Esq<sup>r</sup>, produced a Commission under the said Great Seal appointing him Recorder of this City during pleasure.

Matthew Visscher Esq<sup>r</sup> produced a Commission under the said Great Seal appointing him Town Clerk and Clerk of the Mayors Court of this City and Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas for the said City and County and Clerk of the Peace and of the Court of Sessions of the Peace in and for the said City and County, during pleasure.

The following Polls of Elections in this City were then produced to wit.

Poll of an Election in the first ward, whereby John Price and John Roorbach Esq<sup>r</sup> were elected Aldermen and Abraham I. Yates and Matthew Visscher Assistants for the said ward for the year ensuing.

Poll of an Election in the second ward, whereby Jacob Lansing Jun<sup>r</sup> and Abraham Cuyler Esq<sup>r</sup> were elected Aldermen and Isaac D. Fonda and Jacob Bleecker Assistants for the said ward for the year ensuing.

Poll of an Election in the third ward, whereby John M. Beeckman and Harmanus Wendell Esq<sup>r</sup> were elected Aldermen and Cornelius Swits and Abraham Schuyler Assistants for the said ward for the year ensuing.

The Members marked thus \* were present and took the Oath of Allegiance to this State as prescribed by Law, and also their respective Oaths of Office as prescribed by the Charter.

Matthew Visscher Esq<sup>r</sup> took also the Oath of Office as Clerk of the City and County of Albany as prescribed by Law.

April 21. Resolved that Thomas Seeger be and he is hereby appointed Marshall for the year ensuing.

April 23. Resolved that Henry Bleecker Esq<sup>r</sup> be and he is hereby appointed Chamberlain for the ensuing year.

Garret Van Bommel late of Shaghtechoche and one of the Tenants of this Board informeth them that he was indebted four years Rent at twenty-five Skipple of wheat ~~39~~ year, which also appearing from the Chamberlains Certificate. He also represented to the Board the Distresses that have attended him by having his Mill burnt and being drove by the Enemy from his place of abode.

The Board took the same into consideration and thereupon Resolve to acquit him of one years rent, and that the Chamberlain settle with him for the other three years and give Mr. Van Bommel an acquittance for the rent due last October.

His Worship the Mayor laid before the Board a Letter he had received from his Excellency the Governor in answer to two Letters of the Committee which said Letter is dated Poughkeepsie 18th April 1778 and is in the following words, to wit :

POUGHKEEPSIE, 18th April, 1778.

Sir: Your two Letters, both dated the 16th instant were delivered to me this Evening by General Conway: I am no less surprised than concerned to learn that all the Continental Troops, Warners Regiment excepted, are ordered from Albany, and I have this moment wrote to Gen. McDougall requesting that Creightons or Aldens Regiment or both may continue with you, representing in the strongest Terms the exposed state the Stores in your City and the northern and western Frontiers will be in, as well from the common Enemy as the hostile Indian Tribes and internal Foes should my request not be complied with. Of the seven hundred Men I was impowered to raise for the defence of this State I have ordered one Company of sixty Men including non commissioned officers to be raised in Charlotte and stationed in that quarter, two to consist each of the same number to be raised in Tryon County and stationed on its western Frontier, and one other of thirty-four in Schohary to be stationed in that Neighbourhood, which I trust you will be of opinion was doing as much for your safety as in my power. I have long since wrote my Opinion to the Commanding Officers at Albany that the British Prisoners should be removed to the Eastward, which I am happy to learn from General Conway has been done and that none but Invalids not proper to remove, now remain among you. I have also advised the removal of the principal Stores and Magazines.

The neglect of the Militia Officers in making Returns to the Council Appointment has prevented making the necessary Appointments and has left the Militia in the same bad condition it has hitherto been, by which we shall continue to be deprived of a strength by which we might defy danger on any sudden Emergency were it properly officered and arranged. You may rest assured, Sir, that I will continue attentive to your Safety and that no Means will be neglected for that Purpose.

I have the Honor to be Sir,

your most obedient and very humble Serv<sup>t</sup>,

The Worshipful  
John Barclay, Esq<sup>r</sup>.

GEO: CLINTON.

April 24. Mr. Recorder laid before the Board the following Amendment to the first Section of the Ordinance for regulating the Ferry between the Limits of the City of Albany and Green Bush and for establishing the Rates thereof, to wit :

For transporting every person across said Ferry four pence, Provided

that a sucking child or some Remnant of Goods or other things not herein after rated which a person carries under his or her arm be free from the payment of Ferriage. For every Man and Horse Ox and Cow one shilling and four pence, for every live Calf or Hog seven pence, for every Sheep or Lamb five pence, for every dead Hog five pence, for every dead Sheep or Lamb four pence, for every Barrel of Rum, Sugar, Molasses, or other full Barrel ten pence, for every Pail of Butter two pence, for every Firkin or Tub of Butter four pence, for every Waggon and two Horses five schillings and four pence, for every full Chest or Trunk ten pence, for every empty Chest or Trunk nine pence, for every Skipple of Wheat, Flour or other Grain two pence, for every hundred weight of Lead, Pewter or other Metal seven pence and so in proportion, for every hundred weight of Beaver, Skins, Hides, or Cheese, one schilling and nine pence and so in proportion, for every Chaise or Chair and Horse four schillings, for every Saddle without a Horse three pence, for every dozen pairs of Shoes or Boots three pence and so in proportion, for every dozen of Steel Traps ten pence and so in proportion.

Resolved and ordered that the Board agree in the said amendment, and that the Ferry-man be furnished with a copy of said amendment.

Resolved that Thomas Lottridge have use and appropriate the said Ferry he having agreed to pay at the rate of £48 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> annum for the present year.

Resolved that the Chamberlain furnish every one of the members of this Board with a copy of Ordinances of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany.

April 25. An Ordinance for regulating Tavern Keepers in the City of Albany:

Sect. 1. Be it ordained by the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany in Common Council convened and is hereby ordained by the authority of the same, That none but such as are duly Licensed by the Mayor of this City do presume to keep any Tavern, Ale House, Victualing House, Inn or Ordinary or sell any wine, beer, brandy, rum, cyder or other strong Liquors by retail in the said City of Albany under the Penalty for forty schillings current money of New York, for the use of the Corporation, to be recovered before the Mayor, Recorder or any one of the Aldermen of the said City.

Sect. 2. And be it further ordained by the authority aforesaid that from and after the publication of this ordinance, no Tavernkeeper shall presume to sell any strong Liquors, other than at the rates and prices following, that is to say,

Good West India Rum, genuine French Brandy, Holland Geneva, Lisbon, Sherry, Port red and white, Mountain French Claret, common sort, French white Wine, Spanish red Wine, Rhenish at ten schillings per quart and one schilling and four pence per gill. American made Whiskey four schillings and four pence per quart and seven pence per gill. Good New England Rum, Brandy, Geneva, common Cordials and all other Spirituous Liquors not herein mentioned at six schillings and nine pence per quart, and one schilling per gill. Good Toddy of West India Rum, French Brandy, or Holland Geneva, sweetened with Loaf Sugar at three schillings per quart Bowle and so in proportion. Good Toddy of other Liquors (whiskey excepted) at two schillings per quart Bowl and so in proportion. Strong Beer and Cyder, brewed or made in the State, one

schilling per quart. For a Breakfast of comfortable and nourishing Victuals two schillings per Meal; for a Dinner equally suitable three schillings and sixpence per Dinner. For twenty-four hours or one Night good Hay and Stabling for a Horse two schillings; for Oats four pence per quart, Corn per quart sixpence and other Grain in proportion. For a good clean Bed and Bedding one Night one schilling.

And be it further ordained by the authority aforesaid if any Tavernkeeper shall exact or receive any higher Price than is agreeable to the above establishment such Tavernkeeper shall forfeit and pay for every offence treble the Value of the Article of which the same may happen, to be recovered before the Mayor and Recorder or any one of the Aldermen.

The above Law together with the following Laws were this day published, to wit :

A Law for regulating the Ferry between Albany and Green Bush and for establishing the Rates thereof.

A Law for regulating the public Markets in the City of Albany.

April 29. It having appeared to this Board that Messrs. Stewart Dean and Abraham Eights, who stand indebted to the Corporation by Bond, have on or about the time of payment tendered the debt due to the Chamberlain which he declined receiving at that time.

Resolved therefore that the Chamberlain be and he is hereby directed to receive from the said Stewart Dean and Abraham Eights the debt due at the time of such tender.

Ordered that the Aldermen and Assistants of the first ward cause the Bridge over the Rutten Kill near the Luthern burying to be repaired.

Ordered that Harmanus Wendell Esq<sup>r</sup>. who is elected one of the Aldermen for the third ward of this City be and is hereby cited to appear before this Board to morrow at two o'clock in the afternoon to declare whether he will take upon him and execute the office of Alderman.

April 30. Ordered that the Chamberlain be directed to settle with Mr. John Williams in the same manner as he was directed to settle with Messrs. Stewart Dean and Abraham Eights the debt due by them to this Board.

Ordered that John Roorbback, Abraham I. Yates and Matthew Vischer be a Committee to revise the ordinances of this Board and that they report their proceedings thereon with all convenient speed.

May 4. Ordered that Harmanus Wendell have leave to consider whether he will accept the office of Alderman till Saturday next.

May 12. The following ordinances were this day published, viz : An ordinance for paving and cleaning the Streets, Lanes and Alleys, and for preventing Nuisances; an ordinance for regulating Carts and Carmen; an ordinance against the Profanation of the Lords day commonly called Sunday; an ordinance for regulating Negroes, Mulattoes and other Slaves; an ordinance for the better preventing of Fire in the City of Albany.

May 15. The Troops having last Night created confusion among the Inhabitants of this City by firing of Guns and obliging the Inhabitants to put Candles before their Window Glasses.

Ordered thereupon that Mr. Mayor and Mr. Recorder be requested to wait upon General Conway and request him to give orders to prevent the like for the future. Mr. Mayor reported that himself and the Recorder

had waited upon General Conway and represented the above, and that the General had promised to give special orders to prevent the like for the future.

May 20. Harmanus Wendell Esq<sup>r</sup>, who was elected one of the Aldermen for the third ward of the City of Albany, appeared before this Board and declared that he could not take upon himself the execution of the office of Alderman.

Ordered that Mr. Alderman Beekman request the Inhabitants of the third ward of said City to elect an Alderman in the room and stead of Harmanus Wendell Esq<sup>r</sup>, and that such Election be held on Saturday next at such hour as Alderman Beekman shall appoint.

May 20, 7 o'clock P. M. The Board agreeable to Charter proceeded to pass a fine upon Harmanus Wendell Esq<sup>r</sup> for refusing to hold and execute the office of Alderman, and thereupon

Resolved that for such refusal a fine of five pounds lawful money of this State be and is hereby imposed upon the said Harmanus Wendell Esq<sup>r</sup>, and that the said fine be levied in the manner prescribed by the said Charter.

General Ten Broeck laid before the Board a Letter he had received from Brigadier General Starke informing him that the Troops were ordered from this City and requested him to order a sufficient number of men to relieve the Guards.

The Board took the same in consideration and thereupon Resolve to write a Letter upon the subject to General Starke which was done in the following words, to wit (prout).

ALBANY, 20th May, 1778.

Sir: The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany being convened in Common Council in consequence of your Honors Letter to General Ten Broeck of this date informing him that the troops are ordered from here to Fish Kill and requesting him to relieve the Guards in this City.

The Common Council beg leave to observe that they consider themselves in duty bound to inform you that from the weakness of the Militia in this City owing to the Number in public Service, it will not be safe to leave the Stores, Provisions, Hospitles, Sloops and Vessels, the Regular and other Prisoners, the latter exceeding one hundred, besides the disaffected in and about the City to so small a Number as one hundred and fifty, the whole number of Militia that are subject to military duty. For should an accident happen by means of the disaffected in destroying the Stores or in discharging the Prisoners, ten whereof are now under Sentence of Death, it would distress not only the City but the Service of the Continent in general.

The Common Council further beg leave to observe that about six weeks ago the Troops were also ordered down but upon the Committee representing to General Conway the above Matters and the necessity of having a Body of Troops in this City to succour the northern and western Frontiers in case of Attack. The General wrote upon the Subject to Major General McDougall and his Excellency the Governor who thereupon ordered the Troops to remain here. The Common Council farther beg leave to observe that in case your Honour cannot detain one of the Regiments stationed here that at least one hundred and fifty men ought to be detained and they doubt not but your Honour will concur with them in Sentiment.

The Bearers hereof, Mr. Recorder and Alderman Cuyler, members of this Board can inform your Honour of many other reasons for the detention of part of the Troops.

Ordered that Mr. Recorder and Alderman Cuyler carry the Letter to General Starke.

Ordered that a Letter be prepared to his Excellency Governor Clinton enclosing.

Ordered that a Letter on the same Subject to the Honorable Major General Gates which was done in the following words to wit (prout).

Honor Sir: The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of this City were last night convened in Common Council in consequence of a Letter from Brigadier General Stark to General Ten Broeck acquainting him that the Troops in this City were ordered to Fish Kills and requesting him to order a sufficient number of men to relieve the Guards. The Common Council thereupon wrote a Letter to General Stark representing to him the necessity of having a Body of Troops in this City which Letter the General intends to enclose you by express and to which the Common Council beg leave to refer you as part of the reasons why the Troops should be detained here.

The Common Council would further beg leave to observe that the many Robberies and Murders daily committed on the Inhabitants of this County by Deserters and Prisoners from Burgoyne's Army and the disaffected who are drove to desperation renders it indispensibly necessary to have a Body of Troops to go in quest of the Villains, for unless the Militia can remain this year at home and properly manage their Summer crops little or no support of Flour can the Continent derive from this part, last year more than one half destroyed and not more than half the usual quantity sowed.

These reasons together with those already assigned in the Letter to General Starke induce the Common Council to suppose that you will on the receipt hereof order at least one of the Regiments to remain here.

Ordered that a Letter be prepared to his Excellency Governor Clinton enclosing copies of the Letters wrote by this Board to General Gates and Starke, which was done in the following words to wit (prout).

Sir: The Corporation were last night informed by General Ten Broeck that the Troops now stationed in this City were ordered down to Fish Kill and that he was called upon to furnish a sufficient number of men to relieve the Guards.

The Corporation thereupon wrote to General Starke requesting him to detain one of the Regiments, a copy of which they do themselves the honor to enclose you. They have this morning wrote upon the subject to General Gates a copy of which Letter your Excellency will also find enclosed, and have directed me to request your Excellency to second their application.

I am with great respect your Excellency's  
Most ob<sup>t</sup> humble Servent.

N. B. If the British Prisoners could be moved to another place it would breake up the connection which is now apprehended is kept up between them the Tories and Negroes.

May 25. Resolved that Mr. Isaac D. Fonda one of the members of this Board take to his House and repair the Fire Engin with all possible expedition.



Alderman Beekman reported that agreeable to a Resolution of the 20th instant he held an Election for one Alderman in the room and stead of Harmanus Wendell Esq<sup>r</sup> who had refused, and that the majority of votes had fallen on Doctor Samuel Stringer which also appearing from the Poll.

Doctor Samuel Stringer attending was sworn to the execution of his Office and took the Oath of Obligance to this State.

Resolved that the Aldermen and Assistants of each ward cause the Wells, Pumps and Bridges in their respective wards to be repaired in such manner as they shall think proper.

Resolved that the Chamberlain be and he is hereby required to render an account to this Board with all convenient speed of the Debts due and owing to the Corporation, and of the expenditures since the last general account.

Ordered that the Clerk make a few copies of that Section of an Ordinance of this Board which prohibits all persons from selling or retailing strong Liquors a Licence from the Mayor, and that such copies be put up in the most public places in this City.

Ordered that Advertisements be put up requesting all persons who have demands against this Board to bring them in for payment and all those that are indebted to the Board to discharge the same without delay.

Ordered that the Sheriff be requested to order the Goal to be washed and cleansed at least once a week and charge the same to the County.

An account of Andries Abel was laid before the Board amounting to £17:4 for a Bull by him sold to the Board for the public.

Ordered that the Chamberlain pay the same.

May 31. General Ten Broeck laid before the Board copy of a Letter General Stark had received from William Dietz Esq<sup>r</sup> and others, which Letter is in the following words to wit (prout).

SHOHARY, 30th May, 1778.

Hon<sup>l</sup> Sir: As part of one Regiment of Militia with the Continental Troops have been attacked by the Tories and Savage and being not able to stand them they gave way and eleven or twelve of the Continental Troops are returned, the Capt and Lieut are kill'd, how many of the Militia are missing we cannot give an exact account, but shall as soon as we are able. Cobus Kill is destroyed, we hope you will send us Reinforcement as soon as possible and some Ammunition as we are much in want of it. We have a small field Piece, I hope you will send some grape Shot for it.

And we remain your most Hub<sup>l</sup>e Serv<sup>t</sup>.

N. B. The Number of the Enemy } WILLIAM DIETZ Esq.  
as near as we can learn is about three } THOMAS EKESON, Major.  
or four hundred. } JOS<sup>u</sup> BAKER, Major.

One o Clock at Night.

Thereupon Resolved that General Stark be requested to send all the British Prisoners to Poughkeepsie, and to write to General Gates for his further directions.

Resolved that a Letter be prepared to his Excellency Governor Clinton enclosing copy of the Letter of Mr. Dietz which was done in the following words to wit (prout).

Sir: I am directed by the Corporation of the City of Albany in Common Council convened to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's Letter of the 2d instant with its enclosures and to thank your Excellency

for the care and attention you have paid to the getting a Body of Troops to secure the Frontiers of the Norther part of our State.

Malencholy as the accounts transmitted in our former Letter were, they are now the more so by an actual invasion of Tryon County by a body of about two hundred Indians and the Ravages, an account of which will be transmitted your Excellency by General Ten Broeck by them already committed in addition to that of Cobus Kill has so struck the Militia of that County that few of them can be collected together, the principal part of them being employed to secure their Families from that Barbarity which is to be apprehended from a wanton, cruel and Savage Enemy.

We have just now received information that a party of about five hundred of the Enemy have lately landed at Gillilands Creek, and that immediately upon their landing they divided in two parties one of which is supposed to be at Sacondaga, and were the other will strike is uncertain, but it is to be feared they are gone farther westward.

The Robberies daily committed in this County and the dangers the Friends to the County apprehend from the disaffected renders the turning out of the Militia dilartery and uncertain. But we presume were your Excellency to favour this part of the State with your presence that it might revive the Spirits of the People and have good effect.

June 2. Received a Letter from Gen<sup>l</sup> Starke dated the 1st instant, which Letter is in the following words to wit (prout).

ALBANY, 1st June, 1778.

Gentlemen: As I am ordered by the Honorable Major Gen<sup>l</sup> Gates to send to fish kill all the Continental Troops posted at this place with the British Hospital must beg the favour of you the necessary Guards for the security of the City and the Stores in it. Your compliance with the above will much oblige  
Gentlement your humble Serv<sup>t</sup>,

JOHN STARK, B. G.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Albany.

Resolved that an Answer be prepared thereto which was done in the following words to wit (prout).

Honorable Sir: Your Letter of the 1st instant requesting the Corporation to order the mounting of the necessary Guards for the security of this City and the Contiuential Stores, I have laid before them, and they have directed me to inform you that the Militia of the City is so weak that it is not possible for them to comply with your request. They conceive that it is not within their sphere to give any directions in military matters. But should you be of opinion that the Troops in consequence of General Gates orders must be sent down, yet as they have reason to apprehend from repeated Information obtained since we saw you that the disaffected will endeavour to request the Prisoners who are under sentence of Death and who are to be executed on Friday next and destroy the City, they would beg leave to suggest to you the propriety of detaining the Troops till at least after their execution.

Whereas it appears to this Board absolutely necessary that a watch should be regularly kept in this City for its security,

Be it therefore enected by the Majority that a Guard of the Citizens not less than forty men shall mount every evening at the City Hall.

Resolved that such of the Citizens as shall refuse mounting Guard or do not appear shall without a reasonable excuse, suffer a Fine twenty

shillings to be recovered before Mayor, Recorder, or any one of the Aldermen of this City.

June 11. The Honorable Brigadier General Ten Broeck laid before the Board two Letters he had received from his Excellency the Governor in answer to the Letters wrote by himself, Gen<sup>l</sup> Schuyler, Mr. Dean and this Board, which were read and returned to General Ten Broeck.

June 16. Resolved that Aldermen Roorbach and Stringer and Mr. Mathew Visscher, one of the Assistants, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a Letter to the Representatives of this County in Senate and Assembly respective the controverted spot of ground whereon the old Store House stands on and that the said Committee report the draft of said Letter with all convenient speed.

June 20. Resolved that all kinds of Meat be sold until farther orders at no higher rates then the following rates to wit :

Grass fed Beef at 1s. 4d. pr lb. Stall fed do. at 1s. 6d. pr do. Fresh Pork at 1s. 6d. pr do. Lamb at 1s. 4d. pr. do. Head and Pluck of a Calf 4s. H. do. of a Sheep 2s. 8d. Do. of a Lamb 1s. 4d. Mutton and Veal 1s. 4d. per lb.

The Committee appointed last meeting to prepare a Letter to the Representatives of this City and County in Senate and Assembly respecting the Right the Crown of Great Britain lately had to the Ground where the old Store House stands on brought in a Letter which being read was approved of, and is in the following words to wit (prout).

ALBANY, 20th June, 1778.

Gent : The Corporation were lately applied to by the Quarter Master for leave to build a Store House to the south of the old Store commonly called the Kingstore. During this application it was insinuated that the Corporation had several years ago granted the same to the Crown of Great Britain led the Board to a review of their Minute from which it appeared that the Corporation in the year 1767 granted the same to the Crown in the manner and under the restrictions mentioned in the enclosed copy of the Deed.

At the time the Corporation made this grant they were in a difficult situation respecting the removal of the Store Houses and Barracks and it may with truth be said that it was forced and extorted from them, and for your farther information upon this head we refer you to Mr. A. Yates who was at that time one of the members of the Corporation. However as the matter now stands the Right of the Crown must either revert to the Corporation or to the State, and if you should be of opinion that it will go to the State, we must then most earnestly entreat you to endeavour by such ways and means as you may think proper to obtain from the State a release of its right to the Corporation, and the sooner it is done the better.

As doubts have arisen in the minds of this Board and General Ten Broeck whether they can order a Night Watch, and as it is at this time highly necessary that a regular and well instituted watch should be kept up, and as the many delinquents who go unpunished for want of authority will soon bring the present one to nothing.

We must also request you to get an act either empowering this Board or the General to order a Night Watch and empowering them punish the delinquents.

June 26. Mr. Mayor laid before the Board a Letter he had received by express from Coll. Hay, D. Q. M. General, dated 23d instant requesting this Board to procure from the Albany Shippers eight Cables for the use of the Public.

Resolved thereupon that Jacob Kidney high Constable request the Gentlemen hereafter named to part with the Cables set opposite their respective names upon the Conditions mentioned in Coll. Hays Letter to wit :

Coll. Lewis three Cables, Coll. Roseboom one do., Peter W. Douw one do., Capt. Simonds one do., Francis Winne one do., Cornelius Swits one do.

Ordered that in case the above persons refuse to give the Cables upon the Conditions aforesaid, Mr. Mayor issue his Warrant to impress them.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain in favour of Thomas Seeger for four pounds on account.

July 4. Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain in favour of Robert Lansing for £19:9:6.

July 6. The Mayor informed the Board that complaint had been made to him that the Blacksmiths shop on the Middle Dock of Gerrit Witbeck obstructs the filling up of the Inlet of said Dock, and it appearing so to the Board,

Resolved that the said Gerrit Witbeck be and he is hereby directed to remove the said shop by the first day of September next.

Resolved that the Chamberlain be and he is hereby directed to request all persons indebted to the Board to make immediate payment.

Resolved that Messrs. Samuel Stringer, John Roorbach and Matthew Visscher be a Committee to prepare an Ordinance for the establishment of a Night Watch in this City, with all convenient speed.

July 14. Mr. Visscher from the Committee appointed to prepare an ordinance for the establishment of a Night Watch brought in the draft, which being read was agreed to and published accordingly.

July 17. A Petition of Donald McBain was laid before the Board praying that he may be favored with a small Lot of Ground sufficient for a House and Garden beyond the Powder House. Upon consideration of said Petition,

Resolved that Aldermen Cuyler and Roorbach and Messrs. Jacob Bleeker and Cornelius Swits be a Committee to view the ground above the Powder House and report to the Board with all convenient speed what ground would at present be best to be sold.

July 22. Alderman Roorbach from the Committee appointed to view the ground above the Powder House and to report what part was best to be sold at present, Reported that they had viewed the same and are of opinion that the ground lying between the Powder House and the Lot lately belonging to David Van Der Heyden deceased, the ground lying on the south side of Kings street and above the Brick-Kiln, and the three Lots lying to the north of the house of John Ostrander ought now to be sold, and that the ground first above mentioned ought to be laid out in House Lots of thirty-three foot four inches in breadth and one hundred and sixty-five foot in length.

Resolved that this Board agree with their Committee in the above report and that John R. Bleeker be requested to lay the same out with all convenient speed.

Resolved further that the said three Lots above mentioned and the lots so to be laid out be sold at public Vendue on Monday next, and that notice be given accordingly by Advertisement.

Resolved that in the sale of the Lots so to be laid out a rent of 4s. be annually reserved, and that in the sale of other three Lots an annual rent of    be reserved.

August 3. In consequence of a former Resolution the Lots No. 1 and 2 on the south side of the Street leading to Schenectady and joining to the Street between that and the Lot formerly sold to George Wray, which was sold at public Vendue to Jacob Van Loon for £51:10, and the Lots No. 1 and 2 on the north side of said Street opposite the former Lots were sold to Paul Hoghstrasser for £48, and the Lot No. 3 on the same side was sold to Isaac A. Fonda for £20.

Ordered that Deeds be made out accordingly.

Resolved that the remainder of the Lots laid out at the places above mentioned be sold at public Vendue on Saturday next at ten o'clock, and that notice be given accordingly.

August 6. Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of William Dayley for £6:12 agreeable to his account exhibited to the Board.

August 8. In pursuance of a former Resolution the Lot No. 4 was sold to James Williamson for £17:10, Lot No. 5 to John Tuyle for £14, Lots No. 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 to James and Mary Furnival for £158:10, Lot No. 8 to Cornelius Glen for £23, Lot No. 9 to Thomas Shipboy for £30, Lot No. 10 to Christopher Beekman for £25, Lot No. 11 to Daniel McNiff for £24:10, and Lots Nos. 12 and 13 and 14 to Myndert Roseboom for £68.

Ordered that Releases be prepared to the several purchasers accordingly.

August 19. Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of Isaac Lansing for £10:7:6 as <sup>per</sup> acc<sup>t</sup>.

An Ordinance to prevent the killing of any kind of Meat within this City on the Lords day.

Be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany in Common Council convened, and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same, that no kind of Meat be killed or exposed to sale within this City on a Sunday, and that if any Butcher or other person exposing Meat to sale shall offend herein, the person so offending shall for each offence forfeit the sum of twenty shillings lawfull money of the State of New York to be recovered by Warrant under the hand and seal of the Mayor, Recorder or any one of the Aldermen, the one half of which forfeitures for the use of the Poor of said City and the other half for the Informer.

September 11. Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of William R. Hilton for £2:2:8 agreeable to his account laid before the Board.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of the Widow Cole for £1:17:8 agreeable to an account laid before the Board.

As also for the following accounts: Rutger Bleeker £6:16; Jeremiah Van Rensselaer £7:10; John Roseboom £3:2; William R. Hilton 12s.; Jaik Veeder £3:12; David Rottery £1:4.

Resolved unanimously that an Ordinance for regulating the Markets in this City be and is hereby suspended.

September 12. Petitions of Gerrit Winne, Peter Groesbeck and David Young were presented to the Board praying grants for small pieces of Land at Schaghtekoke and mentioned and described in said Petitions. Also a Petition of John Knickerbacker Junior, praying that the Prayer of David Youngs Petition may not be granted.

Resolved that the consideration of the several Petitions above mentioned be postponed till public affairs are a little more settled.

A Report prevailing that two thousand Troops are to be stationed in this City, and this City and its Suburbs having suffered greatly during the present War by Troops being stationed here and billeted on the Inhabitants,

Resolved that a Letter be prepared to his Excellency the Governor, which was done in these words:

Sir: A Report that two thousand Troops are to be stationed here the ensuing winter renders it our indispensable duty in behalf of the Inhabitants of this City and its Suburbs to write to your Excellency on the subject, and to request your directions in the premises, to which end we deem it necessary to observe,

That this City (from the nature of its situation) has been, during the present war, a Magazine of Stores and Provisions and the place for confinement of disaffected persons both from the northern and western parts of the State and as such was always a capital object by the enemy to be subdued. In consequence of which it has for upwards of three years past undergone innumerable distresses and inconveniences necessarily attending the operations of war. The Inhabitants of this City were some of the first who stepped forth in the cause of their Country and took an active part in the Contest. They have from time to time endeavoured to conciliate the affection of the Indians and to their utmost furnished arms, blankets, ammunition, camp equipage, intrenching tools and provisions and specie in exchange for continental currency to supply the wants and necessities of the Northern Army.

This County (exclusive of the Manor) includes a large quantity of Lands settled of late chiefly by Emigrants from Europe as well as from other American States and the southern Counties of this State. That from the Tenure under which many hold their Lands and the monies due on Mortgages from others, together with their necessitous circumstances, they have by these means been more open to Seduction by the disaffected and more readily induced to distress the well affected by robberies, plots and conspiracies against the State. Besides the well affected among us in subduing and apprehending the Tories and in rendering other public services to their Country have so wasted their time and substance, that many of them are now reduced to the most necessitous circumstances.

The Inhabitants of this City were usually supplied with many of the necessaries of life as well as food for their Cattle from small enclosed Lots of ground within the Bounds of this City the Fences whereof were last Fall and Winter burnt and destroyed by the Continental Troops, which Lots have by means thereof been thrown into Commons and have ever since lain waste; which together with the great Drouth of the Summer has greatly diminished the necessaries of life among the Citizens.

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John N. Blecker	Peter W. Douw	Anthony Egbertse.

*Third Ward.*

John M. Beekman	Cornelius Swits	John Veeder
Samuel Stringer	Leonard Gansevoort Jun.	Christiaen Nesley.

The Board proceeded to the appointment of Treasurer and Marshall agreeable to the Charter and the reuponappointed Garret Ryckman Treasurer, Thomas Seeger Marshal.

October 7. Resolved that Alderman Cuyler and Mr. Swits be a Committee to prepare a Letter to his Excellency Governor Clinton respecting the great quantities of wheat daily transported out of this State under the sanction of being purchased for the use of the French Fleet and that they bring in the Draft thereof by two o'clock this afternoon.

October 30. Mr. Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from Brigadier General Hand dated this day, requesting the Board to order the necessary Guards in this City, which is in the following words to wit:

ALBANY, 30th Oct. 1778.

Sir: As the Troops now in Garrison here will I believe leave the City to morrow, and not having it in my power to replace them immediately, I esteem it necessary to inform your Worship that the Guards now mounted at the City Hall and Fort must of necessity be removed, your Worship will therefore take such steps as you think proper for the security of your Prisoners.

I am Sir very respectfully yours,  
 The Worshipful the Mayor } EDW<sup>d</sup> HAND.  
 of the City of Albany. }

Resolved that an Answer be prepared thereto which was done in the following words to wit:

Honored Sir: In consequence of your Request of this day, we have ordered twenty men to mount Guard at the City Hall in the night time and to keep a Centinel at the Provision Store. We have also ordered the Streets to be patrolled and this Tour of Duty to commence tomorrow evening.

November 8. Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay Philip Elsworth £5:8 agreeable to his account.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the following account: Abraham Wendell £8.

Resolved that Aldermen's Stringer, Roorbach, John Ja. Beekman, and Common Council Men Swits and Gansevoort, or any three of them, be a Committee to examine the accounts of Henry Bleecker Esq. late Chamberlain to this Board and that they make a Report thereof with all convenient speed.

Resolved that the following Gent be and they are hereby appointed Fire Masters for the year ensuing, viz<sup>t</sup>: John G. Van Schaick and James Campbell for the first ward; James Bleecker and Nicholas Bleecker for the second ward; John De Wandelaer Jun. and Jacob H. Wendell for the third ward.

Ordered that the Clerk make out Warrants for that purpose.

November 12. Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of John J. Ratcliffe for £10 for one year Ringing the Bell.

November 26. Peter W. Douw one of the Assistants for the second ward appeared took the Oath of Allegiance to the State, the oath of office, and his seat as a member of the Board.

November 28. Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts viz : Richard Van Sante immediately £26:9 ; William Daly, £6:4 ; John Bone £3:4.

December 4. Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts viz : John Price £17:4 ; Benjamin Hansen £3 ; Cornelius Brower £4.

The Board were informed that divers persons in and about Schaghtekooke daily commit Trespasses on their Lands by cutting Saw Logs and other Timber, therefore Resolved that the Clerk draw up an Advertisement requiring the persons who have so committed Trespasses to render severally satisfaction for the Trespasses by them committed by the 15th instant, and in case of neglect their prosecutions will be commenced against them.

Resolved farther that the Clerk write a Letter to David Young desiring him immediately to come down and render satisfaction for the Trespasses by him committed, and in case of default that a prosecution will be commenced against him.

At a Common Council held at the House of Mr. Mayor (occasioned by his Indisposition) on the 7th day of January, 1779.

Upon reading a Resolution of the Fire Company of yesterday,

Resolved that the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Brigadier General Clinton be requested to issue General Orders, ordering the Barrack Master to see that the Chimnies in the Barracks and Hospital be swept at least every three weeks and that he be answerable for all Damages that may arise from foul Chimnies and that he order all Combustibles to be removed from the Barracks and Hospital. That no Officer or Soldier on any pretence obstruct the Fire Masters or Chimney Sweeps in viewing and cleaning the Chimnies, and in case of Fire that the Troops form on their parade, the Officers to attend and instantly proceed with order and regularity to assist the Inhabitants. The Guards to stand to their Arms and the whole during the Fire to obey the Directions of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of this City.

David Young having some time since settled on Lands belonging to this Board without their leave and he now appearing before this Board and represents the distresses that would attend his immediate removal, thereupon Resolved that the said David Young have liberty to remain on the Lands he has now in his possession till next May a twelve month, that he also have liberty to move off all the Buildings and Fences thereon standing and being, and that he be and he is hereby forbid from clearing any more Lands.

Resolved farther that the said David Young have liberty to move off and appropriate to his own use the twenty-seven Saw Logs by him cut on said Lands. David Young being present agreed to the above Resolutions by signing his name hereto.

DAVID YOUNG.

Resolved that Mr. Recorder and Alderman Stringer be a Committee to wait upon the General with this Resolution.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts, viz: Abraham Wendell £8; Ryer Schermerhorn £5:11; John Price £1:4; Philip Elsworth £1:12.

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to prepare Letters to the principal Inhabitants of the Districts in this County where the most wheat is raised setting forth the Distresses of the Inhabitants of this City and requesting them to send in to this City each a small quantity of wheat for the use of such Inhabitants at as low a price as possible, notifying them of the place where to be stored. And that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to sign such Letter as the said Committee may prepare and report the Dr. thereof at the next meeting. The Committee appointed for the above purpose are Mr. Recorder, Alderman Stringer and Mr. Swits.

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Resolved that the Chamberlain be and he is hereby directed to hire at the expense of this Board a House that will contain about three thousand Skipple of wheat in as convenient a place in this City as possible.

Albany Common Council Chamber, 4 March, 1779.

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Members present—John Ja. Beckman, John M. Beckman, John Price, John Roorbach, John N. Blecker, Samuel Stringer, Abraham I. Yates, Leo. Gansevoort Jun., Isaac D. Fonda, Peter W. Douw, Cornelius Swits, Matthew Visscher.

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On suggestion of the Mayor,

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Garret Ryckman appeared took the Oaths appointed by Law and was sworn to the due execution of his office as Chamberlain.

March 5. Resolved that Mr. Henry M. Roseboom keeper of the Powder Magazine be requested with all convenient speed to lay before the Board an account of the Powder that has from time to time been deposited therein and to whom the same belonged.

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Resolved that Aldermens Stringer and John M. Beekman and Mr. Peter W. Douw, or any two of them be a Committee to see the above Resolution carried into execution.

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Anthony Egberts who was chosen one of the Constables for the second ward in this City having refused to be sworn to the execution of his office,

Thereupon Resolved that an Election be held in said ward at the usual place of Election on Thursday next to choose another Constable in his stead.

A motion being then made that Mr. Egbertse for his refusal to be sworn be fined five pounds and Debates arising thereon, it was carried in the Affirmative in manner following to wit:

For the Affirmative—Aldermen John Ja. Beekman, Mr. Abraham I. Yates, Mr. Douw, Mr. Gansevoort Junr, Mr. Visscher.

For the Negative—Aldermen Stringer, J. M. Beekman, J. Roorbach, Mr. Fonda, Mr. Swits.

The votes being equal and thereupon Mr. Mayor declared himself to be for the Affirmative.

Thereupon Resolved that Anthony Egbertse for refusing to be sworn to execute the office of Constable be and he is hereby fined for such his refusal the sum of five pounds current money of this State and that the Marshall be and he is hereby required to levy the same without delay.

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Resolved that the public Cage near the City Hall be repaired and that a Pillory be erected therein.

Resolved that Aldermens Stringer and John M. Beekman and Mr. Peter W. Douw, or any two of them be a Committee to see the above Resolution carried into execution.

March 8. Resolved that an Ordinance to prevent the playing at Ball against the Churches or Houses of public Worship in this City be immediately published and that copies be put up at such Houses of Worship.

Resolved that a Committee of four be appointed to examine the Ordinances of this Board and see which of them are expired, and which ought to be revived and also what new Ordinances are necessary to be made and that they or any three of them report with all convenient speed. The Committee chosen are, Mat. Visscher, Leonard Gansevoort Junior, Peter W. Douw and John Roorbach Esquires, or any three of them.

Anthony Egberts who was chosen one of the Constables for the second ward in this City having refused to be sworn to the execution of his office,

Thereupon Resolved that an Election be held in said ward at the usual place of Election on Thursday next to choose another Constable in his stead.

A motion being then made that Mr. Egbertse for his refusal to be sworn be fined five pounds and Debates arising thereon, it was carried in the Affirmative in manner following to wit:

For the Affirmative—Aldermen John Ja. Beekman, Mr. Abraham I. Yates, Mr. Douw, Mr. Gansevoort Junr, Mr. Visscher.

For the Negative—Aldermen Stringer, J. M. Beekman, J. Roorbach, Mr. Fonda, Mr. Swits.

The votes being equal and thereupon Mr. Mayor declared himself to be for the Affirmative.

Thereupon Resolved that Anthony Egbertse for refusing to be sworn to execute the office of Constable be and he is hereby fined for such his refusal the sum of five pounds current money of this State and that the Marshall be and he is hereby required to levy the same without delay.

March 16. Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of Thomas Seeger and John J. Ratcliffe for each three Skipplles of wheat.

The Aldermen of the second ward laid before the Board a Poll of an Election held in said ward for chusing a Constable in the room of Anthony Egbertse, by which it appeared that James Paul was duly elected.

A Petition of the Master, Wardens and Brethren of Masters Lodge No. 2, in the City of Albany, was laid before the Board setting forth that in 1766 they obtained a Lease from this Board for a small Lot of ground in the second ward near the Fort under an annual Rent of four pounds per annum, which they conceived too great a discrimination of the Rent reserved on other Lots disposed of at that time, and praying an abatement of the said Rent or such other relief in the premises as to this Board shall appear meet and reasonable.

Ordered that the consideration thereof be postponed till the next meeting of this Board.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order in favor of Mary Cole for £2:8.

Mr. Visscher from the Committee appointed to examine the Ordinances of this Board and to see which of them are expired &c. Reported in the words following to wit:

Your Committee appointed to examine the Ordinances of this Board, and to see which of them are expired, which ought to be revived, and what new ones are necessary to be made, do Report, That they have examined and taken the same into consideration and upon such examination they find that the following Ordinances expire on the 25th day of April next to wit:

- I. For regulating the Tavernkeepers in this City.
- II. For regulating the public Markets in this City.
- III. For regulating the Ferry between the City of Albany and Green Bush and for establishing the Rates thereof.

And the following expire on the 12th day of May next to wit:

I. For paving and cleaning the Streets, Lanes and Alleys, and for preventing Nuisances in this City.

II. For regulating Carts and Carmen within the City.

III. Against the Profanation of the Lords Day commonly called Sunday.

IV. For regulating Negroes, Mulattoes and other Slaves in this City.

V. For the better preventing of Fire in this City.

Your Committee are of opinion that altho' the Ordinances,

I. For regulating Tavern keepers,

II. Against the Profanation of the Lords Day,

III. For the better preventing of Fire,

IV. For regulating Negroes &c. and

V. For paving and cleaning the Streets &c are in force, yet they conceive that these Ordinances ought to be published forthwith to prevent persons who are daily guilty of Breaches of the said Ordinances from pleading in excuse their Ignorance of such Laws.

Your Committee farther report that it is their opinion, that such last of the "Ordinance for regulating the Ferry between the Limits of the City of Albany and Green Bush and for establishing the Rates thereof," as regulates the said Ferry ought to be immediately published, and that the part of the said Ordinance which establishes the Rates thereof be postponed.

That it is their opinion the said Ferry for the ensuing year ought not to be sold at public sale, but that the same ought to be hired out to the same persons who had it last year at a sum in gross, or at a certain part of



the Profits, and that the Ferrymen be strictly enjoined to be reasonable in the Rates.

Your Committee are farther of opinion that the other Ordinances mentioned in this Report ought to be postponed for consideration to a future day, and that the Ordinance for regulating the lying of Vessels at the several Docks and Wharves of this City be immediately published and that the Rates thereof be left discretionary to the Dockmaster, who is to render an account thereof under Oath to the Corporation, which said Dockmaster ought to be allowed one third part for his trouble and to be displaced in case of exacting a greater rate than shall be conceived by the Corporation to be reasonable.

Your Committee farther report that they have not augmented the Fines established in the Ordinances recommended to be published, and recommend the same to the consideration of the Board. 16th March, 1779.

Resolved that Thomas Lotteridge and the Widow Hansen use and occupy the Ferry between the Limits of the City of Albany and Green Bush for the ensuing year at sixty pounds. That the Rates of said Ferry be not established. That the said Thomas Lotteridge and the Widow Hansen be and they are hereby enjoined and required to be reasonable in the Rates of Ferriage, and that in case it should happen that the said Ferrymen should exact any unreasonable Rates, the Board reserveth to itself a Power to establish the Rates of said Ferry.

Resolved that the said Thomas Lotteridge and the Widow Hansen at their own Expence build a Dock or Wharf at the west side of said Ferry with all convenient speed, for the conveniency of persons who shall or may cross said Ferry. Mr. Lotteridge being present agreed to the above Resolutions.

The Committee appointed to examine the late Chamberlain's Accounts, Books and Vouchers, Reported that they had examined the same and found that the Books were fairly stated, and that he had in his possession the Papers, Deeds, &c. which were lodged with him by this Board, and that the said late Chamberlain is ready to deliver the said Books, Papers, Deeds, &c. to the present Chamberlain.

Ordered thereupon that the said Committee or any three of them superintend the delivery of the said Books, Papers, Deeds, &c. to the present Chamberlain, and that they take a proper Receipt for the same from the said Chamberlain.

Ordered that the Clerk draw a proper discharge to the late Chamberlain for the said Books of Account, Papers, Deeds, &c. and that the City Seal be thereto affixed.

Ordered further that the Clerk deliver up to the said late Chamberlain the Bond by him and Surety entered into for the safe custody and redelivery of said Books of Accounts, Papers, Deeds, &c.

March 31. Ordered that the Chamberlain deliver to William Van Den Bergh and Cathalya Van Hoesen each two Skipple of wheat, they paying for each Skipple the sum of forty shillings.

A Petition of Peter Yates was laid before the Board praying a Deed for a piece of Wood Land at Schaghtekoke adjoining his Lands agreeable to a purchase by him made from this Board in 1770, for the annual rent charge of eight Skipples of wheat, which said Petition is in the following words to wit:

To the Worshipful Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany—The Petition of Peter Yates of Schachtekoke, most humbly sheweth,

That near the close of the Mayoralty of Volkert P. Douw Esquire your Petitioner purchased of your Board a certain piece of Wood Land in Schaghtekooke District adjoining other Lands of your Petitioner and for which he was to pay an annual rent charge of eight Skeeples of wheat. That in consequence of said purchase your Petitioner expected and from time to time applied for Deeds, but was told that the then Clerk of your Board Mr. De Lancey had lost or mislaid the Minutes of that Transaction, since which the Troubles of the Times have prevented your Petitioner from renewing his application.

That the late Mayors Mr. Douw and Mr. Cuyler, and Alderman Marselis as also the present Recorder and Alderman Roorbach are able to corroborate the Facts relative to the above purchase.

Your Petitioner therefore most humbly prays that your honorable Board will be pleased to take this matter into consideration and be graciously pleased to grant unto your Petitioner good and sufficient Deeds in the law for the Lands so purchased as aforesaid. And your Petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray.

PETER YATES.

Albany, 30 March, 1779.

The Board took the same into consideration and upon examining the Records of the 11th of July, 1770, find that the Board at that time sold to Mr. Yates a certain piece of Wood Land and referring for a Boundary thereof to a Map of Nanning Visscher Esquire.

Thereupon resolved that Mr. Yates be informed that Deeds will be executed to him for the said Lands as soon as the Board have examined Mr. Visschers Map, he paying twenty-four Skeeples of wheat, in full for the arrearages of Rent.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain to pay the following accounts to wit: Alderman Stringer £4: Ald. Roorbach £3:12.

April 9. Mr. Mayor laid before the Board certain Articles of Agreement entered into by sundry of the Inhabitants of the City and County of Albany for the establishment of a Seminary in this City, for the promotion of Useful Knowledge and the Education of Youth, with a request from the said Inhabitants to the Board to take the same under their protection, direction and care.

The Board took the same into consideration and thereupon unanimously Resolved that the said Inhabitants be informed that this Board will most cheerfully take the said Seminary under their protection, direction and care, and that they will at all times do every thing which may tend to its support and aggrandizement.

Resolved that Mr. Mayor be requested to communicate this Resolution to the said Inhabitants.

Resolved that the Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to draw an order on the Chamberlain for two Skipplles of wheat in favor of every such Inhabitant of this City as shall produce to him a Recommendation from any two members of this Board who live and reside within the same ward with the person applying for such order.

April 17. Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of the Elders and Deacons of the reformed Dutch Church in this

City for twenty-five Skipples of wheat, they paying for the same at the rate of eight Dollars per Skipple.

May 6. Resolved that Aldermen John N. Bleecker and John Ja. Beekman be a Committee to request Mr. Jacob Cuyler to purchase a couple of Bulls for the use of the City.

Resolved that this Board will on Monday next meet the Commissioners for Indian Affairs to consult respecting the taking possession of the Lands at Tiononderoga.

May 31. Resolved that a Committee of four be appointed to examine the Charter of this City and consider what Clauses, or Privileges, they will surrender and what additions they consider necessary to be applied for. The Committee chosen are Mr. Recorder, Alderman Bleecker and Messrs. Swits and Gansevoort.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for to pay Thomas Seeger, Marshall to this Board, the sum of £20.

Resolved that the Clerk draw Deeds to John Knickerbacker Junior and Peter Yates for the Lands laid and surveyed for them at Schaghtekooke and that the yearly Rents and Reservations be the same as was agreed by the former Board except that Knickerbacker instead of paying 6d. per acre pay the Rent in wheat to wit, seven Skipples yearly.

June 5. Messrs. Christopher Yates and Henry Glen appeared before the Board, and laid before them a Plan for erecting a Colledge in the Town of Schenectady and requested the concurrence of this Board thereto.

The Board took the said plan and request into consideration, and thereupon resolved considering the unsettled state of affairs to postpone the final determination thereon to a future day.

June 14. The Board being convened in consequence of a request from Genl Clinton to assist the Quarter Master in procuring Waggons to transport Batteaux and Provisions to the westward, the Board took the same into consideration and thereupon Resolved that the Clerk write circular Letters to the Magistrates, Field and other Officers in the respective Districts of this County on the subject.

June 22. An account of Col<sup>o</sup> Peter Van Ness for purchasing two Bulls for the use of this City and the expence of driving them up to this place, amounting in the whole to £212. Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer for the same. The Bulls are marked on the right Horn D. D.

Resolved that the following accounts be paid, viz: Gerrit Van Vrankin £24; Abraham Roseboom £8.

A Petition was presented to the Board by Gerrit Winne of Schaghtekooke praying for a grant of a certain piece of Land at Schaghtekooke. Resolved that the said Petition be deferred for consideration till a future day.

A Letter from Mr. John Addison dated June 2d, 1779, was read and filed.

June 28. Mr. Visscher laid before the Board two Letters he had received since last meeting, the one from Mr. William Thompson dated Pottsgrove, 12th June, 1779, and the other from Mr. Peter Willson, dated New Barbadoes, 16 June instant, which were read and thereupon

Ordered that the said Letter be laid before the Subscribers who formed the Plan for the institution of a public School in this City, for their advice and opinion in the premises.

Ordered that the Aldermen of the respective wards in this City cause the Bridges in their respective wards to be repaired with all convenient speed, and that they also cause the public City Roads to be repaired by the Inhabitants thereof.

Resolved that the Ordinance for marking of Bread be published and that the fine be augmented to five pounds.

That the price of Bread be four shillings per pound.

July 7. The Letters which Mr. Visscher laid before the Board last meeting having been laid before the Subscribers of the public School, and they having drawn up an Answer to that of Mr. Addison, which being read was agreed to, and ordered copied and forwarded.

The first section of the Ordinance for regulating the Butchers was published.

July 9. The Ordinance for paving and cleaning the Streets was revived and published.

July 26. Ordered that the Clerk send to Mr. Addison a duplicate of the Letter formerly wrote to him and request an Answer thereto.

August 10. Ordered that the Treasurer receive from Mary Furnival the consideration money for the Lots purchased by her husband, and that he give her a Receipt for the same.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an Abstract of the Privileges intended to be applied for and of the Privileges the Board intend to surrender. That three copies be made thereof and one lodged with the members of each ward for the Inhabitants to sign.

Ordered that the Clerk draw orders on the Chamberlain to pay the following accounts, viz : John McKensie and Angus Murray £30:16.

August 21. Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the following accounts, viz : Richard Van Sante, £169:16; Abraham E. Wendell £12:8.

September 2. Ordered that Letters be wrote to Dr. Witherspoon and Mr. Thomson, which was done accordingly.

Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to examine the Road Acts, make out a Rate Bill and lay the same before the Board with all convenient speed. The Committee chosen are Messrs. Conl<sup>r</sup> Swits, John Ja. Beekman and Ab<sup>m</sup> I. Yates.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of Alderman Stringer £19:4.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of Thomas Seeger for £10 on account.

September 4. Ordered that the Clerk draw orders on the Chamberlain to pay the following accounts, viz : Abraham Bogert £15:12; Gerrit Halenbeck £44:16; Wilhelmus Van Den Bergh £16:16.

Ordered that the Mayor execute the Deeds to Peter Yates and John Knickerbacker Junior, for each a piece of Wood Land at Schagtekooke.

September 28. Whereas by the Charter of Incorporation of this City it is provided that on the 29th day of September in every year one Constable is to be elected in each ward, and whereas it has been found by experience that a greater number of Constables are necessary, therefore

Resolved that at the Election to be held on the 29th day of September instant an additional Constable be chosen in each ward.

William B. Hilton petitioned for the use of an acre of Land lying immediately west and adjoining the Lot lately belonging to John Taylor.

Thereupon Resolved that the Petition of the said Hilton be granted, and that he have the same for seven years without any rent, and in case he shall at any time during the term of seven years not want the same for his own use, that then and in that case the same shall immediately revert to the Corporation.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of Thomas Seeger for ten pounds on account.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on the 29th day of September, 1779.—Present, the Mayor, John Price, John Roorbach, John Ja. Beekman, John N. Bleecker, John M. Beekman, Samuel Stringer, Ab<sup>m</sup> I. Yates, Corn<sup>l</sup> Swits, Leo. Gansevoort Jun., Peter W. Douw, Isaac D. Fonda, Mat. Visscher.

This being the day appointed by the Charter for the election of two Aldermen two Assistants and two Constables for each ward, the Polls of the Election for that purpose were returned, from whence it appeared that the following were duly elected, viz :

*First Ward.*

Aldermen.	Assistants.	Constables.
John Price	Ab. I. Yates	Jacob Kidney
John Roorbach	Mat. Visscher	John Van Sante Jun.

*Second Ward.*

John Ja. Beeckman	Isaac D. Fonda	James Paul
John N. Bleecker	Peter W. Douw	Thomas Auker.

*Third Ward.*

Samuel Stringer	Cornelius Swits	William Fuller
John M. Beekman	Leonard Gansevoort Jun.	Benjamin Kip.

The Board then proceeded to the appointment of the Chamberlain, Marshall and High Constable, and appointed Garret Ryckman, Chamberlain ; Thomas Seeger, Marshall ; Jacob Kidney, High Constable.

The Board being informed that Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoort had made Prisoners of the Indians residing at the lower Mohawk Castle, the Reversion of which Lands being in this Board, and it being of the highest importance that the Board should be informed how and upon what Principles those Indians were made Captives and removed, therefore

Resolved that Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoort be requested to attend the Board in order to give information relative to the capture of those Indians.

Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoort appeared and informed that pursuant to orders from the hon<sup>ble</sup> Major General Sullivan he had removed and made Prisoners of the said Indians, an Extract of which said Orders are as follows, to wit :

You will proceed by the shortest Route to the lower Mohawk Castle, destroy it and captivate if possible all the Indians that may be there ;

whatever Prisoners may fall into your hands you are to proceed with to Albany and from thence with all possible despatch to Head Quarters. You are by no means to leave any of the Prisoners at Albany unless particularly directed by General Washington or Congress. These Orders were dated 20th Sept. 1779, signed JOHN SULLIVAN, Majr Genl.

And directed to Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoort.

This Board thereupon Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to draw a state of the claim of the Corporation to said Lands and to employ and consult with Council what steps may be necessary to be pursued in order to obtain possession of said Lands. The members chosen are Messrs. Mat. Visscher, Leonard Gansevoort Jun. and John Roorbach.

Resolved that the present and late Chamberlain furnish the said Committee or either of them with such Papers belonging to this Board as they may conceive necessary in the premises.

October 5. Mr. Visscher from the Committee appointed last meeting to draw a state of the Claim of this Board to the Lands of Tiononderoga and to take the advice of Council, thereupon reported that they had drawn a state which is in the following words to wit:

State of the Claim of the Corporation of the City of Albany to the Lands in Tryon County, called lower Mohawk Castle or Tiononderoga.

I. Governor Dungan by Charter dated 22 July, 1686, among other things did grant unto the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany full Liberty and Licence at their pleasure to purchase from the Indians one thousand acres of low or meadow Land lying at a place called Tiononderoga, and that the same might be in what part of Tiononderoga or the Lands adjacent on both sides of the River as the said Mayor &c. should think most convenient, and also did by the said Charter give, grant and confirm the same unto the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty, to hold to them and their successors for ever. Yielding and paying therefore yearly forever the annual Quit Rent of a Beaver Skin on the 20th March.

II. That on the 12th day of October, 1730, the Corporation of the said City on the application of the Mohawk Indians did accept and take from them a Deed in due form of Law executed for the quantity of one thousand acres of Land at Tiononderoga aforesaid, to hold to them and successors in trust for the said Mohawk Indians so long as they should continue a Nation and be settled there, and from and immediately thereafter the remainder to the only use and behoof of the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty their successors and assigns for ever, which said Deed remained in possession of John De Peyster Esq. then Mayor of the said City until the 12 Sept. 1733, when upon a Message of William Cosby, Esq., then Governor of New York, he delivered the same to him to be used at a Treaty with of said said Indians, at which Treaty, by the directions of the said William Cosby Esq. the said Deed was tore in pieces and consumed.

III. That previous to the execution of the said deed to wit on the 14th day of June, 1721, two of said Indians conveyed eleven Morgan of said Lands to Mr. Cuyler in fee, whose heirs afterwards on the 24 April 1769, obtained from the Corporation for the consideration of thirty pounds a Conveyance or Release for the same.

IV. That on the 7th July 1730, some of the said Indians conveyed

ten or eleven Morgan of said Lands to Peter Brower for the term of 999 years, who on the 29th November 1734, conveyed the same to the Corporation.

V. That the Corporation on the 27th April, 1749, leased the said ten or eleven morgan to the said Peter Brower for the said term of 999 years, at the annual rent of one Skipple of wheat for each morgan.

VI. That also previous to the execution of said Indian Deed, some of the said Indians had conveyed to Jan Wemp the quantity of twenty-two morgan of said Lands, who on the 13th of September, 1737, obtained from the Corporation a conveyance for the same under an annual rent.

VII. That the said Indians have from time deserted and removed from the said Lands, that for these two years last past no more than four families have remained on the same, who by virtue of an order from Gen<sup>l</sup> Sullivan are now also removed.

VIII. That the said lands are now possessed principally by refugees from Andrews Town, Cherry Valley, &c., and part of them by persons who have been settled by some of said Indians.

The Corporation want to know how and in what manner they must get possession of those Lands, some of the possessors they suppose will attorn to and take Leases under the Corporation, and others they suppose will not, and that they had taken the opinion of Peter W. Yates, Esq. upon the preceding state, which is in these words, to wit :

Gents. : Agreeable to your request I have taken into consideration the state of your claim to the Lands at Tiononderoga in Tryon County, and upon the whole I conceive it advisable for you as soon as possible to cause them to be surveyed and the boundaries properly fixed and ascertained. After which you should take into your possession all the unpossessed Lands that lie within those bounds, and lease them out for a short term on a reasonable rent. These Leases should be carefully drawn and a special Clause inserted for the Tenant peaceably to deliver up the possession at the end of the term to you or your successors,

As it is probable that you will meet with no obstruction in thus obtaining possession, it will be the most eligible mode for you now to pursue, considering at the same time the difficulty, delay and expence that would attend your bringing ejectments in which you would finally recover no more than the possession, nor would such recovery operate as a bar to another suit brought for the same Lands by those who may lay claim to them at a future day.

But with respect to such of the Lands as are possessed by persons who shall refuse to attorn or become Tenants to you, it will be necessary for you to bring ejectments against them in order to oust them of the possession. And as you are a corporate body the mode of process will differ from the ordinary course pursued in ejectment causes, for it will be necessary for you to give a Letter of Attorney empowering some person by Deed under your common Seal to enter and seal a Lease upon the Land, and if there be several parcels of Land possessed by several persons, in that case several Leases must be made as above directed and Declarations delivered to each Tenant in possession. After this the proceedings will be carried on nearly as usual in other ejectment causes.

Altho by the Charter of Incorporation you have an undoubted estate in fee simple in these Lands, and altho the Indian Deed referred to in your state cannot stricto jure be considered as part of your title (since those

Deeds are only intended to purchase Peace instead of property), yet as it may be serviceable to you in other respects at a future day I think the testimony of Mr. De Peyster relative to that Deed, may be of great service, and he being very old I recommend it to your consideration whether it not be advisable for you to file a Bill in Chancery to perpetuate his testimony. 4 Oct. 1779. PETER W. YATES.

To the Worshipful the Mayor, Aldermen and  
Commonalty of the City of Albany.

Resolved thereupon that a Committee of three be appointed to locate the said Lands and that a surveyor be appointed for that purpose.

The Committee chosen for the above purpose are Aldermen John Price, John Ja. Beekman and John Roorbach.

Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to draw Instructions for the Committee that are appointed to locate the Lands at Tiononderoga, and that they report thereon by next Saturday. The Committee chosen are Alderman Stringer, Mr. Visscher and Gansevoort Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Resolved that the last mentioned Committee be and they are hereby empowered to draw on the Chamberlain for any Deeds and papers that they may conceive necessary,

Resolved that the Committee appointed to locate the Lands at Tiononderoga be empowered to draw on the Chamberlain for £400 and that they be accountable for the same.

Resolved that the said sum of £400 be taken on Loan, and that Alderman Roorbach and Mr. Visscher procure the same and give proper security for the payment of the same in the name of the Board.

October 9. Resolved that the Committee who were appointed last meeting to locate and take possession of the Lands at the lower Mohawk Castle be informed that the Board have postponed taking possession and locating said lands.

October 13. Resolved that a piece of ground containing one hundred acres be granted to Bodewyne Kip agreeable to a Resolution of this Board passed on the 24th day of March, 1775, that the said Bodewyne Kip have the same surveyed and laid out at his own expence and make a return of such survey to this Board certified by the surveyor, and that a Lease for ever be then drawn for the same, subject to a yearly rent of twenty-five Skipples of good and merchantable winter wheat, the same to be delivered in this City and that the first payment be made on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord 1782, and that the Mayor sign the same and the City Seal be thereto affixed.

October 14. This day being appointed by the Charter for the qualification of the Aldermen, Assistants and Constables for the ensuing year, the following were sworn, viz: John Roorbach, John Ja. Beekman, John N. Bleeker, John M. Beekman, Samuel Stringer, as Aldermen; Ab<sup>m</sup> I. Yates, Isaac D. Fonda, Cornl<sup>s</sup> Swits, Leo. Gansevoort Jun., as Assistants; Jacob Kidney, Thomas Archer, James Paul, John Van Sante Jun<sup>r</sup>, as Constables.

Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to devise ways and means to raise a sum of money sufficient to pay off the Debts contracted by this Board and to defray the necessary expenditures thereof in future, and that Aldermen Bleeker and Roorbach with Mr. Gansevoort Jun<sup>r</sup>, be a



Committee for that purpose, and that they make a report as soon as conveniently may be.

October 19. John Price Esq. having been returned as one of the Aldermen for the first ward of this City, and not having qualified on the 14th instant he this day took the necessary Oaths.

Mr. Peter W. Douw having been returned as an Assistant for the second ward of this City, and not having qualified on the 14th instant he this day took the necessary Oaths.

October 20. The Committee appointed to devise ways and means to raise a supply of money for the present discharge of the Corporation debts and for the further contingent expences which may accrue, Report that several very considerable sums are due to that Board for Lots of ground sold some years ago, viz : from John Van Alen for a Lot, John Williams do, Volkert P. Douw do, Guysbert Merselis deceased do, Martin Mynderse do, and others, and for raising an immediate supply of money, they are of opinion that all the ground lying from the Powder House on the north and south side of a street to be continued from the lots of Abraham Schuyler and Dr. Stringer till the said street intersects a street running nearly north and south back of the English burying ground be sold at public vendue and that the said ground be laid out into house lots of thirty-six feet front and rear and two hundred feet deep more or less as the situation of the particular allotments may happen, that a ground rent be reserved on every rent Lot ten shillings per year of gold or silver money as the same is depreciated when the said rent becomes due ; that after the present debts are discharged by the sale of the said ground the money which may remain in hands be immediately put into the Loan Office as a future fund—which being read by paragraphs and the question being put whether the ground mentioned in the foregoing Report should be disposed of it was carried in the negative in the following manner :

For the Affirmative—Mr. Bleeker, Mr. Gansevoort Jun.

For the Negative—Beekman and Roorbach, Aldermen ; Fonda and Yates, Assistants.

Resolved that Alderman Roorbach be appointed by this Board to revise the Ordinances and make report which of them it is necessary should be revived at the next meeting of this Board.

Resolved that the Ordinance for regulating the public Markets in the City of Albany be repealed.

Resolved that the Ordinance for marking of Bread be repealed.

November 18. Matthew Visscher was sworn as an Assistant for the first ward, and William Fuller as Constable for the third ward.

The Board proceeded to the appointment of Fire Masters for the ensuing year, and thereupon appoint Jeremiah Lansing and John Graham for the first ward ; Jacob I. Lansing, Anthony Egbertse for the second ward ; John I. Zabrisky, Isaac I. Truax for the third ward.

Ordered that the Clerk immediately make out the Warrants for said Fire Masters and that the Fines for each neglect or default in cleaning the Chimnies be four pounds.

Resolved that the Clerk send Advertisements to Schaghtekoke desiring the Tenants who hold under the Corporation to bring in their rent to Mr. Ryckman the City Chamberlain.

The Board agreed with John Flansburgh to have the care of the public Bulls, and that for each of them he have four Skipples of wheat.

November 23. Mr. Mayor laid before the Board an extract of a Letter from the Rev<sup>d</sup> Dr. Witherspoon to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Westerlo, which was ordered to be read, but no Resolution made thereon.

December 3. Ordered that Mr. Gansevoort revise and amend the Ordinance of this Board for preventing of fire in this City and that he report the same with all convenient speed.

December 7. Mr. Gansevoort, who was appointed to revise and amend the Ordinance for preventing of Fire in this City, reported the Amendments which being read were agreed to, and

Ordered that the same be published, which was accordingly done.

Jeremiah Lansing and John Graham, who were on the 18th of November last appointed Fire Masters for the first ward, having refused to take upon themselves the burden of the said office, and the said John Graham having assigned sufficient reasons why he could not execute the said office, and it appearing also that the said Jeremiah could not execute the said office, whereupon the Board appointed John Boyd and Barent Roseboom Fire Masters for said ward.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on the 14th day of January in the year 1780—Present, the Mayor, Ab. Yates Jun., Recorder, John Ja. Beekman, John N. Bleeker, Samuel Stringer, John Roorbach, John Price, Mat. Visscher, Isaac D. Fonda, Peter W. Douw.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain in favor of Thomas Seeger for twelve pounds on account.

Ordered that the Chamberlain receive from Thomas Lotteridge the money due by him to this Board.

January 18. His Excellency the Governor being arrived in Town, it is Resolved that he be addressed in the following words:

May it please your Excellency: We the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Albany beg leave to congratulate your Excellency on your safe return to this place. It affords us the highest satisfaction that your Excellency has by the Suffrages of the People at the last general Election been continued as Chief Magistrate of the State, and we reflect with pleasure on the prospect of a continuation of those civil and religious Liberties which we in common with other our fellow citizens have enjoyed under our free Constitution and your wise administration.

While we lament the late cruel Depredations committed by a barbarous and savage Enemy on the Frontiers of this State, it gives us infinite pleasure that your Excellency (ever attentive to the preservation and protection of its Inhabitants and to punish the insolence and cruelty of the foe) has manifested a disposition and exerted your endeavour to repel their incursions, and altho unsurmountable difficulties have arisen against effecting the complete capture of their force, yet we congratulate your Excellency on their defeat at Canajoharry by the Militia and Levies under the command of Brigadier General Rensselaer, and permit us to add that our happiness is increased by the consideration that the Enemy were restrained from the completion of their purposes by the vigor-

ous pursuit of your Excellency with the Troops whereby many valuable buildings and great quantities of grain devoted to destruction in the minds of the Enemy were preserved. We wish your Excellency every happiness in public and private life, and whatever the Enemies to our peace and mankind in general may conceive from the intriguing schemes of their enterprising Politicians we trust that good Providence which has so often protected the people of the United States of America from the secret arts and machinations of the Enemy will abate their pride and confound their devices.

In testimony of the high sense we entertain of your Excellency's zeal & fidelity to promote the public good, we beg leave to present your Excellency with the Freedom of this City.

Ordered that a Committee be appointed to wait upon his Excellency with copy of the Address and request of him when and where he will be pleased to receive the Board with the same. The Committee chosen are Alderman John M. Beckman and Mr. Visscher.

February 9. Whereas it has been represented to the Board by the Inhabitants of the second ward (thro the Aldermen and Assistants of the same) that the Wells and Cisterns in the said ward are out of water, and that the same is owing to the great quantity used out of the Cistern at the Hospital thro' which those in said ward are supplied. And whereas it is absolutely necessary that the said Wells and Cisterns be supplied with water not only for the use of the Inhabitants but in case of fire. And whereas all the Wells and Cisterns in the limits of this City are under the sole direction of this Board, Therefore Resolved that after the tenth instant no person or persons do presume on any pretence whatever (except in case of fire) to draw any water out of the said Cistern at the Hospital or any other of the Wells or Cisterns in said ward until such time as the Wells and Cisterns in said second ward are supplied with water.

Resolved that every person who shall draw water out of the said Wells and Cisterns (except as aforesaid) shall for every such offence pay a fine of forty shillings to be recovered before the Mayor, Recorder or any one of the Aldermen, one half which fine to the use of the informer and the other half to the use of the poor of the City.

Resolved that Col<sup>o</sup> Van Schaick be furnished with a copy of the foregoing Resolutions and that he be requested to make the same known to those under his command.

Resolved that the Committee appointed to revise the Ordinances of this Board be dissolved.

Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to revise the said Ordinances and that they report as soon as possible their revision and which they conceive necessary to be revived and what new ones are necessary to be made. The Committee chosen for the purpose are Aldermen Stringer and Price together with Mr. Visscher or any two of them.

February 17. The Board proceeded to the consideration of surrendering part of the privileges granted by the Charter to this City, and the applying for additional ones, and thereupon unanimously resolve to surrender up the said privileges to the State and to apply to the Legislature for additional privileges during their present meeting.

Resolved that in order to carry the same into execution a Committee of three be appointed to draw up the surrender and a petition for that pur-

pose. The Committee chosen are Alderman Bleeker and Messrs. Visscher and Gansevoort who are ordered to report as soon as possible.

A Petition signed by Johannis Knickerbacker Jun. in behalf of the Elders and Deacons of the reformed Dutch Church at Schaghtekoke, was laid before the Board praying a Grant of one acre of Land adjoining the Lands of Walter N. Groesbeek.

Ordered that the consideration thereof be postponed, and that Walter N. Groesbeek who claims the Lands be furnished with a copy of the said Petition in order that he may state his claim and lay before the Board an actual survey of his Lands.

February 22. Alderman Bleeker, from the Committee appointed to draw a Petition to the Legislature of this State for the purpose of obtaining additional Privileges for the said City, reported a Draft which being read by Paragraphs was unanimously agreed to.

Ordered that the Clerk copy and sign the same in behalf of this Board and that the same be delivered to the members of the Senate and Assembly of this County.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain in favor of Thomas Seeger for twelve pounds on account.

March 15. Alderman Price and Mr. Visscher reported to the Board that they had revived the Ordinance for regulating the Ferry between the Limits of the City of Albany and Greenbush and for establishing the Rates thereof, and the same being read,

Ordered that the consideration thereof be postponed till next meeting.

March 18. This day leased to Mr. Thomas Lotteridge and Mrs. Catharine Hansen for the term of one year the Ferry between the Limits of the City of Albany and Green Bush for £660 to be paid in quarterly payments, and it is agreed between the Board and the said Lotteridge and Hansen, that the Corporation shall and may from time to time regulate the rate of ferriage as they shall think proper, and that they the said Lotteridge and Hansen shall and will pay to the Board in case of an increase of the rate of ferriage such an additional sum as is in proportion to the above sum and the rate of ferriage now established, and so in case of a decrease of the rate of ferriage.

A Petition of John Stewart, a Refugee, was read praying a House Lot next to John McDonalds near the Fort on the same terms with McDonald.

Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to examine the ground prayed for and see whether the same can be granted, and that they report with all convenient speed.

March 25. The Ordinance for regulating the Ferry between the Limits of the City and Green Bush was this day published and the following section substituted instead of the first section for transporting every person across the said Ferry.

For transporting any person across said Ferry 5s. 4d (provided that a sucking child or some remnants of goods or other things not herein after rated which a person carries under his or her arm be free from the payment of ferriage). For every man and horse, ox or cow, 24s. ; for every live calf or hog 10s. 8d ; for every lamb or sheep 8s. ; for every dead hog 8s. ; for every dead sheep or Lamb 5s. 4d ; for every barrel of sugar, rum,

molasses, or full barrel 16s. ; for every pail of butter 2s. 8d ; for every firkin or tub of butter 5s. 4d ; for every waggon and two horses £4:16 ; for every skipple of wheat flour or other grain 2s. 8d ; for every hundred weight of lead, pewter or other metal 2s. 8d, and so in proportion ; for every hundred weight of beaver or skins 32s. and so in proportion ; for every chaise or chair and horse 36s. ; for every saddle without a horse 5s. 4d ; for every dozen pairs of shoes or boots 5s. 4d, and so in proportion ; for every dozen of steel traps 16s. and so in proportion.

The Committee appointed last meeting to enquire whether the prayer of the Petition of John Stewart could be granted, reported that they had received the same and that in their opinion it could be granted. Thereupon resolved that there be leased to the said John Stewart for the term of twenty-one years a piece of Ground containing in breadth in front 30 feet and in length 150 feet at the rate of 24s. in specie yearly, the first payment to be made on the first day of April 1781.

The Ordinance against the profanation of the Lords day commonly called Sunday was this day published.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain in favor of Thomas Seeger on Account for twenty pounds.

Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to devise ways and means to repair the Docks and Wharfs of this City and that they report the same with all speed. The Committee chosen are Mr. Visscher, Mr. Price and Mr. Fonda, or any two of them.

Resolved that the said Committee prepare an Ordinance for subjecting all persons above [?] the age of sixty years to attend the City night watch.

March 30. Mr. Mayor informed the Board that the Collector of the District of Schaghtekoke had applied to him for the amount of the Tax laid upon their Lands in said District, and requested the opinion of the Board what answer he should give said Collector.

Resolved that Mr. Mayor inform the said Collector that this Board do conceive the Lands in said District are not liable to be taxed.

The Ordinance against the profanation of the Lords day was again considered and amended.

April 8. Margret Jacobs appeared before the Board and informed them that Mrs. Van Dyck wife of Henry Van Dyck had warned her to leave the House in her possession which she held under the Board for about seven years and prayed the advice of the Board in the premises.

Ordered that she be informed and directed to hold the same till the farther order of this Board.

Resolved that a Committee of two be appointed to draw an Ordinance against the profanation of the Lords day. The Committee chosen for the purpose are Messrs. Visscher and Gansevoort Jun.

April 10. Leonard Gansevoort Esquire appeared before this Board and produced a Commission under the great Seal of this State constituting and appointing him Recorder of the City of Albany and took the Oaths of Allegiance and Office.

April 14. Whereas this Board on the third day of May, 1761, by release granted unto the Minister, Elders and Deacons of the reformed Dutch Church in the City of Albany a certain Tract of 153 acres of Land lying northwest of the City, and did thereby reserve liberty and licence

for the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of this city, or the major part of them and their successors forever, to lay out Roads and Streets thro' the above mentioned Lands as they should see most convenient, and whereas the said Minister, Alders and Deacons applied this day for leave to lay out the said lands in Lots and allow Streets and Roads in such manner as they might conceive most proper for the term of 25 years. And whereas this Board are well convinced that no inconvenience can in that time arise to this City, and thereupon Resolve to grant the request of the said Minister, Elders and Deacons, and it is hereby granted accordingly for the term aforesaid.

June 23. The Ordinance for regulating the Night Watch having been laid before the Mayor for approbation, and he having agreed to the same, was this day published.

The Letter being prepared to the Legislature being read was agreed to and ordered to be copied, signed by the Clerk and forwarded.

June 28. On application of Col. Van Schaick and Volkert P. Douw in behalf of the Oneyda Indians,

Resolved that the said Indians be informed that the Board will permit them to occupy and enjoy the Lands of this Board commonly called the Tiononderoga Flatts for and during the present war between Great Britain and America and no longer.

July 3. On motion Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to draw a Petition to the Consistory of the reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the City of Albany for a small piece of Ground near the Ferry for the purpose of building a House for the Ferryman, &c. The Committee chosen for the purpose are Messrs. Swits, Gansevoort Junr, and Visscher.

July 28. Whereas on the application of Col<sup>o</sup> Van Schaick, commanding officer in this Department, and Volkert P. Douw Esquire, one of the Commissioners of Indian Affairs for the said Department in behalf of the Oneyda Nation, it was Resolved by this Board to permit the said Nation to use and occupy under them the Lands of this Board situate, lying and being in Tryon County commonly called the Tiononderoga Flatts for and during the present war between Great Britain and America, and whereas an application has since been made on behalf of the said Oneida Nation to permit them to occupy the dwelling houses lately occupied by the Mohawk Indians, and whereas this Board considering the Friendship between them and the said Oneyda Nation, who by their faithful adherence to the cause of America have strong shewed the Friendship which has so long subsisted between them, and thereby gained the favor and protection of this Board.

Therefore resolved that the said Oneyda Nation be and they are hereby permitted to enter upon and take possession not only of the said Lands but of the said dwelling houses above mentioned, to hold to them the said Oneyda from and under this Board as Tenants for and during the present war between Great Britain and America.

Resolved that Major Jillis Fonda Esquire be and he is hereby empowered in behalf of this Board to put the said Oneyda Indians in possession of the premises aforesaid agreeably to the preceding Resolution, and it is hereby provided that whatever is sown and planted on said Lands shall be reaped by those who sowed or planted.

Sir: I enclose you Resolutions which have been entered into by the Corporation. It is their wish when you put the Indians in possession that you take a couple of persons with you to see that you in the name of the Board put them in possession, and it would be well if you explained to them the Resolution in a short Speech of Friendship and by that means get their answer, lest after the war is over they may pretend to remain on the Land as having been possessed by the Mohawk.

We are Sir, your humble Servants.

By order.

M. VISSCHER.

To Major Jelles Fonda.

August 15. Resolved that the Clerk furnish General Schuyler with a copy of the Plan of the proposed Seminary in this City and also copies of the Letters by this Board wrote to George Merchant at Princeton, and further that the Clerk send duplicates of said Letters and Plan to said Mr. Merchant, and that said Mr. Merchant be requested to send his answer to the care of General Schuyler, at Camp, and that in case he declines, General Schuyler transmit a copy of said Plan together with a Letter to Mr. of Philadelphia.

Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to prepare a Draft of a Bill agreeable to the Petition presented to the Legislature last winter respecting the Charter Rights of this City and that the same be ready by the first day of September next, and at that time be laid before the Board. The Committee chosen for the purpose are Mr. Recorder, Alderman Bleeker and Mr. Visscher.

August 29. Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain in favor of Samuel Bagnell for wheat at the market price to the amount of two dollars.

Resolved that a piece of Ground of about an acre lying near Thomas Wilkinsons be let to Mr. Josiah Crane for the term of three years at the rate of ten shillings per year.

September 15. It being suggested to the Board that divers of the Tenants of this Board at Schaghtekoke refuse paying their rent, and that divers other matters require that the Board should go there and regulate the same, and also to enquire about the rents, therefore Resolved that a Board be opened at the House of Johannis Knickerbaker Junior at Schaghtekooke aforesaid on Wednesday the 20th instant.

Resolved that the Overseers of Highways in this City be and they are hereby directed to have the several Roads or Highways leading to this City and within the Liberty thereof repaired with all speed, and that the Clerk furnish the said Overseers with copies of this Resolution.

At a meeting of the Common Council at Schaghtekooke 21st Sept. 1780.

The Tenants being sent for to know their Reasons for non payment of the Rent due this Board appeared, and made various excuses, pretending that no Rent was due.

September 26. The Board having returned from Schaghtekooke and the Tenants having refused to pay the Rent they are in arrear for the Lands, and being desirous to take the most speedy measures for the recovery thereof, Thereupon resolved that a Committee of four be appointed to examine the Deeds and Papers of the several Tenants aforesaid, and that

they make report with all convenient speed of the conditions of the said Deeds. The Committee chosen for the purpose are Mr. Recorder, Alderman Roorbach and Messrs. Visscher and Gansevoort Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain to pay the following accounts: Gerardus Groesbeek for nine Skipples of wheat; Cornelius V. Deusen do; Abraham E. Wendell for £11 hard money; John R. Bleeker for £1:6 do.

Resolved that the Chamberlain furnish the Committee above appointed with all such papers and deeds as they may require they passing their receipts for the same.

Certificate to Wheeler Douglass that he has engaged to supply the market with all kinds of meat.

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of Albany on the 29th of September, 1780—Present, the Mayor, Leo. Gansevoort Esq. Recorder, John Price, John Roorbach, Samuel Stringer, John M. Beekman, Cornelius Swits, Leo. Gansevoort Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ab. I. Yates, Peter W. Douw, Mat. Visscher.

This being the day of Election the Aldermen of the respective wards made a return of the Polls from which it appeared that the following Gent. were elected by plurality of voices:

<i>First Ward.</i>		
Aldermen.	Assistants.	Constables.
John Roorbach	Matthew Visscher	Jacob Kidney.
Peter W. Yates	Robert McClellan	Jacob W. Hilton.
<i>Second Ward.</i>		
John Ja. Beekman	Isaac D. Fonda	John Brower
John N. Bleeker	Peter W. Douw	Benjamin Simmend
<i>Third Ward.</i>		
Samuel Stringer	Leonard Gansevoort Jun.	Jacob H. Wendell
John Ten Broeck	Cornelius Swits	M. A. Lansing Jun.

And thereupon Alderman Price suggested to the Board that he received a number of the voters who polled at the election in the first ward for John Roorbach and Peter W. Yates Esquire as Aldermen were not entitled to, or had a right to vote, and thereupon moved for a Scrutiny.

Resolved therefore that a scrutiny be granted and that the Clerk furnish the parties concerned with copies of said Poll Lists with all convenient speed and further that it be recommended to the said parties to exchange lists containing the voters names they object to together with the reasons of their exceptions by Thursday next.

Resolved that Monday the ninth day of October next be and is hereby appointed for hearing the parties in said scrutiny.

The Board then proceeded to appoint a Chamberlain and Marshall, and thereupon appointed Garret Ryckman Chamberlain and Thomas Seeger Marshall for the ensuing year.

Whereas the Ferry leading from this City to Green Bush is at present extremely inconvenient to Travellers by reason of the Corporation not having any ground near the said Ferry whereon to erect a dwelling house for the residence of the Ferryman and the accommodation of such Travel-



lers and other persons as may have occasion to make use of the same, to remedy which,

Be it Resolved that the Minister, Elders and Deacons of the reformed Protestant Dutch Church in this City be and they are hereby requested to grant to this Body a lot of ground adjoining or near the dwelling house of Barnardus Bratt, situate in the first ward of this City of such dimensions as they may conceive proper (provided nevertheless the said lot extend eastward as far as low water mark) for the purpose of erecting a dwelling house upon for the residence of such person or persons to whom this Corporation shall let the said Ferry to the end that it may be rendered as convenient as possible to such persons as may have occasion to make use of the same, and that the Corporation may be enabled to dispose of the same to advantage.

September 29. Alderman Price this day withdrew the Exceptions he had taken to the voters who polled at the last Election so far as they respect the voting for Peter W. Yates Esq.

Received a Letter from Mr. George Merchant dated the 15th day of September, 1780, informing that he had accepted the Proposals of our proposed Seminary, which said Letter is in the following words to wit:

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 15, 1780.

Gentlemen: I have received your Letter bearing date the 15th of July, in which was enclosed the Plan of your proposed Seminary; and after I had perused it and taken a short time in order to deliberate, I have tho't proper to accept your proposals. I cannot possibly state the time when I shall be at Albany as it depend in a great measure upon the success I shall have in settling my business. But I have great reason to believe that it will not exceed five weeks.

I am, Gentlemen, Your most humble Servt.

To the Worshipful the Mayor, Aldermen }  
and Commonalty of the City of Albany. } GEORGE MERCHANT.

October 10. Resolved that the Committee appointed to examine the Deeds and Papers of the Tenants at Schaghtekooke employ Peter W. Yates and John Lansing Junior Esquires to commence Prosecutions against all the Tenants at Schaghtekooke for the recovery of the Rent due and that they furnish the said Council with the names of the Tenants in possession and the Rents due with all convenient speed.

The Board being met and ready to proceed to the farther hearing of the Scrutiny between Aldermen Price and Roorbach, and the parties being desired to proceed, Aldermen Price informed the Board that he would not proceed any farther therein and gave it up.

October 14. This being the day appointed by the Charter for the qualification of the Officers of this city, the following appeared in the Common Council Chamber and were sworn, viz:

John Roorbach, Peter W. Yates, Aldermen for the first ward; Matthew Visscher, Robert McClellan, Assistants. John Ja. Beekman, Alderman for the second ward; Isaac D. Fonda, Asssistant. Samuel Stringer, Alderman for the third ward; Leonard Gansevoort Jun., Assistant. Jacob Kidney, Constable for the first ward; John Brower, do. for the second ward; Thomas Seeger, do. for the third ward.

October 25. His Excellency the Governor being returned from the westward and pursuing the Enemy, and the Board having the highest opinion of his zeal and activity in promoting the general cause, and defending the Country,

Resolved that an Address be presented to his Excellency the Governor, and that a Committee be appointed to prepare the same, y<sup>e</sup> Committee chosen are Mr. Recorder, Alderman Yates and Leo. Gansevoort Junior.

Mr. Recorder from the Committee reported the Draft of an Address, which being read was agreed to and is in the following words, viz: [The Address the same as on page 304.]

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to wait upon his Excellency, to furnish him with a copy of the said Address, and to know when and where he will be pleased to receive the same. The Committee chosen for the purpose are Mr. Recorder and Mr. McClellan.

The Committee reported that they had waited on his Excellency, and that he had been pleased to say he would receive this Board with their Address to morrow morning at eleven o'clock at the House of Mr. Hugh Denniston of this City, Innholder.

Resolved that his Excellency the Governor be presented with the Freedom of the City, and that Alderman Yates prepare the same by to morrow morning.

October 26. The Board agreeable to the appointment of yesterday proceeded to the House of Mr. Denniston and presented his Excellency the Governor with their Address and the Freedom of the City.

The Board being returned Mr. Mayor informed the Board that his Excellency had made an Answer to the Address of which he had obtained a copy, which is in the following words, viz:

Gentlemen: I thank you for this polite Address and the favorable sentiments you have been pleased to express of my reelection to the Chief Magistracy of the State.

While with you I lament the late devastations upon our Frontiers it affords me great satisfaction that by the vigorous exertions of the Country and the attack upon the Enemy at Canajoharry they were prevented from the completion of their cruel purposes and compelled to seek their safety by a disgraceful and precipitate flight.

I accept Gentlemen with pleasure the Freedom of your City, and be assured I shall always consider this act of your Corporation as a most honorable testimony that my conduct has received the approbation of my Fellow Citizens.



Geo. Clinton

Albany, 26 Oct. 1780.

November 9. As the Corporation intend that the public School shall be opened in the House in which Mr. Ryckman now lives on Monday next, Resolved therefore that Mr. Ryckman be requested to remove out of the House by Saturday next.

November 11. Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to examine the School Room with Mr. Merchant the Rector of the public and confer with him respecting the Appointment of an English Master and that they report on Monday next.

The Committee chosen for the purpose are Aldermen Yates, Ten Broeck and Roorbach.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain in favor of Thomas Seegar the Marshall for six pounds in gold or silver and charge the same to his account.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain in favor of John J. Ratcliff the Bellringer for five pounds in gold or silver and charge the same to his account.

November 12. The Board proceeded to the appointment of Fire Masters for the ensuing year, and thereupon appointed Henry Hogan, Cornelius Douw for the first ward; Cornelius Groesbeck, John Fonda Junior for the second ward; Reynier Pruyn, Francis Harsin for the third ward.

Resolved that the Clerk furnish the above Gentlemen with Warrants with all convenient speed.

Resolved that all the Fines in the Ordinance for preventing fire in this City be increased in a double proportion to what they were in the year 1774, and that the Clerk prepare the Ordinance accordingly.

This Board taking into consideration the present state of the northern and western Frontiers of this State, it is Resolved that General James Clinton be requested to detain the continental Troops now in this Department to be posted in such parts of the Department as the General shall deem most expedient for the public safety, and that Mr. Mayor wait upon General Clinton for that purpose with a copy of this Resolution.

The Mayor informed the Board that the Subscribers to the public School had last night met, and that upon considering the necessity of having an Assistant, they had recommended to the Board, that the Board send for and examine Robert Fullerton as to his abilities, and if upon inquiry and other circumstances the Board should be of opinion that his abilities and character are sufficient that they engage him for a year.

Resolved thereupon that the Clerk write a Letter to Mr. Fullerton on the subject and request him to come to town and inform the Mayor of his arrival.

Resolved that the Clerk in behalf of this Board apply to Col<sup>o</sup> Quackenboss, D. Q. M Gen<sup>l</sup>, for an iron Stove for the use of the Seminary in this City.

A Petition of John W. Wendell was laid before the Board praying a Lot of Ground adjoining his present dwelling House in the first ward of this City.

Resolved that the prayer of the said Petition be granted, and that the Aldermen and Assistants of the first ward or any two of them be a Committee to examine and measure the said piece of ground prayed for, and to report for what term of years the said Lot now in his possession and the

adjoining Lott should be granted, and under what annual reservation, and that they report with all convenient speed.

Alderman Bleecker informed that the Minister, Elders, and Deacons of the reformed Protestant Dutch Church had taken the request of this Board into consideration and had agreed to grant the same, and requested the Board to meet on Monday next to locate the same, which was ordered accordingly.

November 20. It being suggested to the Board that Henry Hogan who was appointed one of the Fire Masters in the first ward, had lately served in that capacity, and is one of the fire Engine men and therefore declined serving, Resolved that the Reasons aforesaid are sufficient, and that Thomas Barret be and he is hereby appointed Fire Master in his stead.

Resolved that a Committee of five be appointed to locate the piece of ground applied for by this Board to the Consistory of the Dutch Church and that they report with all speed. The Committee chosen are Aldermen Yates, Beekman, Ten Broeck and Messrs. Visscher and Swits.

The Committee appointed to locate the lot of ground for the use of building the Ferry House upon, reported that they had viewed the same and are of opinion that the most convenient spot, considering its situation, is on the north side of Bratts house and lot, and recommend the same to be of the following dimensions and form, to wit, one acre bounded south by the house and lot of said Bratt, north by the Church Pasture, east by the common highway and west by the said pasture, and containing in front and rear one chain and fifty links and in length six chains and sixty-seven links, as also the piece or lot of ground lying east of the said road and opposite to the said acre and of the same breadth and in length from said road to low water mark.

November 25. Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to confer with Mr. Robert Fullerton and see whether he will accept or not, and also to propose an examination of him. The Committee chosen are Aldermen Bleecker and Roorbach and Mr. McClellan.

November 29. An account of John Ja. Lansing was laid before the Board amounting to £1:1:9 which is allowed and ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain to pay the same.

The Committee appointed to locate and have the lot of ground petitioned for by John W. Wendell measured, reported thereon.

Resolved that the Lease of the said Wendell be destroyed and that a new Lease for the whole Lot as described be given to the said Wendell upon his paying the Rent due at this day.

Resolved that the said Lease be for twenty years; that an annual Rent of forty shillings be reserved and that at the end of the term the buildings thereon be appraised by three Appraisers to be appointed as follows, one by the Board, and one by said Wendell, and the other by the two Appraisers and the appraised value be paid by the Board.

Resolved that the application of Coll. Hughes, D. Q. M. Gen<sup>l</sup>, for liberty to establish a Ferry for public use, be granted under such restrictions and upon such terms as the Board shall think proper.

Mr. Suel Chapin offering himself as an Usher and the Board being unacquainted with his abilities in the Languages,

Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed in conjunction with

Mr. Merchant the Rector of the Seminary to examine the said Chapin and report with all convenient speed. The Committee chosen for the purpose are Aldermen Yates, Roorbach and Stringer.

November 30. The Committee appointed to examine Mr. Chapin reported that upon examination they find him of sufficient abilities for an Usher or second Master in the Seminary.

Thereupon Resolved that the said Chapin be accepted and taken as an Usher in said Seminary for the term of six months from the date, and in case either this Board or said Mr. Chapin are desirous he should serve no longer than the term aforesaid, in that case either party is to give to the other three months previous notice, otherwise he is to continue his service in said Academy for three months longer.

Mr. Chapin came into the Council Room and signified to the Board his assent to the above on his being recommended by Mr. Merchant the Rector of the Academy, who appeared personally before this Board for that purpose.

December 5. The Board received a Resolution of the Consistory of the Dutch Church in the words following, to wit :

The Consistory of the reformed Dutch Church agree to grant to the Corporation of this City a Lot of Ground adjoining the Lot of Bernard Bratt to the north in front and rear one hundred feet, and in length two hundred feet English measure, with the same breadth to low water mark. The Corporation to fence the said Lot at their expence during the time that the Pasture continues in common and to keep a sufficient water fence with a Gate on the highway to the northern of said Lot, or one acre of ground to the south of De Wandelaers Lot.

Albany, 30 Novbr, 1780. Q. I.

E. WESTERLO.

Whereupon it is resolved that the piece of ground to the northward of Bernardus Bratts be accepted by this Board, and they return the Consistory thanks for the same. That this Board however being of opinion that the piece of ground mentioned in the above Consistorial Resolution will not fully answer the purpose intended, but that it would be more conducive to the public good in case the same were as large as at first proposed.

We would therefore desire the Consistory to reconsider this matter and be pleased to grant us the quantity of ground proposed in the Resolution of this Board either by extending the bounds thereof more westward or in breadth to the northward.

December 6. John N. Groesbeek of Schaghtekooke appeared before the Board and represented that John Vielen, who claims the Lands formerly granted to Adrian Quackenboss, has lately had the said Land surveyed and by such survey lays claim to some of the Lands granted to them and prays the opinion of the Board in the premises.

Thereupon this Board recommends to the said parties, that they jointly cause the Lands claimed by each of them to be surveyed and in case they do not agree in a joint survey, that then either of the said parties cause a separate survey thereof to be made at their own expence and cause a return of such survey to be laid before this Board together with the Deeds, Papers and Evidences relative thereto, that the same may be examined

Resolved that the said Gardinier and Garrison be informed that this Board will send a Committee to locate and survey the said Lands, after which they will be informed whether this Board will grant them the Lands applied and upon what terms.

Resolved that a Committee of two be appointed to confer with Col<sup>o</sup> Hughes, D. Q. M. Gen<sup>l</sup>, respecting the Application for establishing a Ferry for public uses, that they view the ground where the Boats should land and that they draw a Memorandum of the Agreement made between this Board and Col<sup>o</sup> Hughes and report the same on Monday next.

The Committee chosen for the purpose are Mr. Recorder and Common Council McClellan.

Resolved that the Clerk write a Letter to William Callon, desiring him to desist carrying away the Fences, &c.

January 22. Mr. Mayor laid before y<sup>c</sup> Board a Letter from Peter Sim, and John Johnson, dated the 20 instant. The Board took the same into consideration and Resolved thereupon that the Ferry at Bratts be sold at public Vendue to the highest bidder on Thursday the first day of May next, and that the purchasor give security to the Treasurer for the payment of the money.

Resolved that the Clerk give notice by Advertisement of the time of sale.

Resolved that Alderman Yates and Common Council Visscher be a Committee to revise the Ordinance of the Ferry and report the same on Tuesday next.

Resolved that Mr. McClellan be directed to call upon Mr. Quackenboss, D. Q. M. Gen<sup>l</sup>, requesting him to inform this Board whether he accepts of the proposals offered respecting the Ferry.

January 25. A Petition of Abraham Garrison, William B. Garrison, and Ephraim Wempel was laid before the Board praying that a Farm to each of them may be granted on the south side of the Schoharry Creek, and a Petition of Nicholas Hansen, Zephaniah Batchelor, Abraham Van Horne and Samuel Stringer, praying that a Farm may be granted to each of them on the north side of the said Creek was laid before the Board.

Ordered that the said Petitions be taken into consideration when the Board determines whether they will and on what terms lease the said Lands.

January 27. Petitions of Peter and Garret Ryckman, James Abeel and Hendrick W. Van Beuren were laid before the Board, praying that a Farm to each of them may be granted by this Board of the Lands at Tyononderoga.

Ordered that the said Petitions be taken into consideration when the Board determines whether they will and on what terms lease the said Lands.

Resolved that the Chamberlain write to every person indebted to this Board either in wheat or money (except those already prosecuted) and inform them unless they instantly pay the same that they will be prosecuted.

Resolved that the Chamberlain receive no Rent in wheat from any of the Tenants of Schaghtekocke that have been prosecuted.

Resolved that a Committe of three be appointed to locate and lay out the Lands of this Board at Tiononderoga in proper Farms in conjunction

with Robert Yates and John R. Bleeker Esqr, or either of them, Surveyors chosen and elected for the purpose, and that they cause the vacant Lands adjoining thereto to be surveyed and a Map thereof to be made. The Committee chosen for the purpose are Alderman Yates, Ten Broeck, and Common Council McClallen and Gansevoort Junr, or any two of them.

Resolved that a Committe of three be appointed to search the Records and make extracts of such papers as they may conceive necessary to locate the said Lands, and that they report the same with all convenient speed.

The Committe chosen for the above purpose are Mr. Recorder, and Common Council Visscher and Swits.

The Committe to whom was referred the terms whereon Coll. Hughes, D. Q. M. Genl, is to have leave to erect a public Ferry across the River between Green Bush and this City brought in the following report :

Genl: Your Committee to whom was referred the Terms whereon Coll. Hugh's, D. Q. M. G. in this Department is to have leave to erect a publick Ferry across the River between green bush and this City, do report as their opinion,

I. That Licence be granted to him and to his successors for two years, commencing from the first day of February next, at the annual Rent of twenty-five pounds in Specie or the current exchange thereof in other money at the time of payment, the same to be paid in four payments, that is to say twelve pounds ten shillings at the expiration of every six months commencing the first day of August next.

II. That said Ferry is to transport across only publick stores, &c. and persons then actually in publick service, as well militia as others, under the penalty of quadruple ferriage for each offence, to be paid to any person who will prosecute for the same, together with costs.

III. That the Landing Place of the said Ferry on the west side of the River shall be between the north end of the old Store House and the Fence by the River opposite the House of Jacob I. Truax, under a like penalty for each offence to be paid and recovered as aforesaid, provided always that the said Ferry may have a Landing place between the said Fence and the north side of the Trardes Creek in case they are permitted so to do by the Corporation of the Dutch Church.

IV. That Articles of Agreement be entered into for the performance of the above. As witness our Hands the twenty-sixth day of January, 1781.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and  
Commonalty of the City of  
Albany in Common Council  
convened.

PETER W. YATES,  
ROBERT McCLALLEN,  
MATTHEW VISSCHER.

February 2. Petitions of Gerrit T. Van Den Bergh, Gerrit Van Beuren and Jacob I. Van Schaick were laid before the Board praying that a Farm to each of them may be granted of the Lands of this Board at Tiononde-roga.

Ordered that the said Petitions be taken into consideration when the Board determines whether they will and on what terms lease the said Lands.

A Petition of Leonard Gansevoort Esqr in behalf of himself and Catherine Cuyler and Abraham Cuyler was laid before the Board setting forth that they are possessed of about threeth morgans of Land, part of the one

thousand acres granted to this Board by Charter, at a place called Tionon deroga situate in Tryon County and praying for such an additional quantity as will be sufficient for a Farm.

Ordered that the said Petition be taken into consideration when the Board determines whether they will and on what terms they will lease the said Lands.

An account of Peter Sharp for work done and materials found for this Board was laid before them amounting to £9:9:9 which is allowed, and ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain to pay the same.

February 10. Mr. Mayor laid before the Board a Resolution of the Senate and Assembly of the 9th instant relative to billeting Troops.

February 15. It is resolved that notice be given by the Clerk of this Board to the subscribers of the Academy requesting them immediately to pay to the Treasurer appointed for that purpose one Quarter's Tuition Money.

Mr. Mayor laid before the Board an Invitation of the Rector of the Academy desiring this Board to attend the public examination of the School to morrow morning at nine o'clock.

Resolved that this Board will accordingly attend.

Ordered that the Clerk forthwith transmit to Colo. Hughes, D. Q. M. Gen<sup>l</sup>, a copy of the Resolution of this Board respecting the Ferry, and also one to Mr. Quackenboss his Assistant.

February 22. Mr. Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from Peter Simm and John Johnson requesting the Board to lease unto them the public Ferry.

The Board took the same into consideration and thereupon Resolved that the said Ferry be sold at public Vendue to the highest bidder on Tuesday the first day of March next and that the purchaser give security to the Treasurer for the payment of the Rent.

Resolved that the Clerk give notice by Advertisement of the time of sale and that Alderman Yates and Common Council Visscher be a Committee to revise the Ordinance relating to the Ferry.

Resolved that Council McClallen be requested to call upon Major Quackenboss and desire him to inform the Board whether Colo. Hughes has accepted of the proposals made by this Board relative to the Ferry by him applied for.

February 27. Petitions of Abraham Fonda, Jesse De Graff, Myndert A. Wemple, Isaac De Graff, Simon De Graff, Frederick Visscher, Christopher John Yates, Francis Winne Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Little, Myndert W. Quackenbush, Nicholas Quackenboss, Isaac Colyer, and John Colyer, praying each a Farm of the Lands of this Board at Tyononderoga in Tryon County were received.

Ordered that the said Petitions be taken into consideration when the Board determines whether they will and on what terms lease the said Lands.

Resolved that the fine mentioned in the Report of the Committee respecting the Ferry applied for by Col. Hughes be and is hereby decreased to twenty shillings and that liberty be given to land in case of badness of weather above and below the Landing of the old Ferry.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of



John Flensburgh for eight Skipplles of wheat, being for one year's keeping the [Bulls].

It being suggested to the Board that the Boundries in the Lease lately given to Peter Yates contain more Lands than were intended to be granted, therefore Resolved that as soon as convenient a Surveyor be appointed to survey said Lands and make report thereof to this Board.

Resolved that the Rates of ferriage be augmented as near as may be twenty-five ¢ cent.

March 1. The Board resumed the consideration of the terms on which the Deputy Quarter Master Gen<sup>l</sup> is to have the public ferry and thereupon Resolved that instead of the fine of twenty shillings for ferrying over prohibited articles he pay a fine of four fold the rate of ferriage established by the Ordinance establishing the rate of ferriage.

This day pursuant to notice the Ferry leading from the City to Green Bush was sold to Dirck Hanson for the term of one year for £123 in Specie, to be paid half yearly in Specie or the current exchange in paper money at time of payment.

Resolved that a Committee of two be appointed to draw proper Leases for the purpose. The Committee chosen are Alderman Yates and Common Council Visscher.

Mr. Henry Van Rensselaer in behalf of his father Coll. John Van Rensselaer informed this Board that Capt. John Johnson having applied to Coll. Van Rensselaer to hire the ferry between Greenbush and the City of Albany, and offered the preference of hiring said ferry to this Board in case this Board will give the same price for it that Coll. Van Rensselaer can get from said Capt. Johnson.

On motion of Alderman Peter W. Yates it is unanimously resolved that this Board have an exclusive right to the said ferry and that the said proposals of Coll. Van Rensselaer be rejected.

It is also unanimously resolved that this Board will indemnify the person or persons who shall purchase the said ferry from this Board at vendue or at private sale.

It is also unanimously resolved that this Board will prosecute any person or persons who shall presume to exercise a right in said ferry or any part thereof.

March 3. The Committee appointed to draw the Leases for the Ferrys reported the same, which being read were respectively agreed to.

Ordered that the Mayor sign those on behalf of the Corporation and that the City Seal be thereto affixed.

Ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain in favor of John J. Ratcliffe for three Skipplles of wheat.

Upon application of the Deputy Q. M. Gen<sup>l</sup> Resolved that he have liberty to land with the ferry boats at the old dock at the store house until the farther order of this Board.

Resolved that a Committee of two be appointed to attend the survey of the Lands in dispute between Harmen Groesbeek and John Vielen and report the same with all convenient speed. The Committee chosen for the purpose are Alderman Ten Broeck and Common Council man Douw.

March 17. Resolved that a Committee of two be appointed to prepare a Letter to Matthews as a third Teacher to the public school in this

City, and that they report the draft with all convenient speed. The Committee chosen for the purpose are Peter W. Yates Esq. and Leonard Gansevoort Jun. Esq.

It being suggested to the Board that his Excellency Gen. Washington would very shortly be in Town, therefore resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to prepare an Address. The Committee chosen for the purpose are Mr. Recorder, Peter W. Yates Esq. and Leonard Gansevoort Jun. Esq.

Resolved that the Freedom of the City be presented unto his said Excellency.

An account of Hendrick Cook amounting to eight shillings was laid before the Board and allowed.

Resolved that an application be made to the Legislature to pass an Act awarding costs to the complainants in cases of forcible entry and detainers in this City and that instructions be given to the Representatives of this City and County accordingly.

April 2. Alderman Ten Broeck informed the Board that he had been honored by the honorable Council of Appointment of this State with the office of Sheriff for the City and County of Albany, and as by the Constitution he could hold no other office, he prayed leave to resign his office as one of the Aldermen of the third ward.

Resolved that the resignation of Alderman Ten Broeck be and is hereby accepted.

On motion Resolved that the consideration of ordering a new election for an Alderman in the room and stead of Alderman Ten Broeck be postponed until to morrow.

April 3. The Board resumed the consideration of ordering a new Election for an Alderman in the third ward of the City of Albany in the room and stead of Alderman Ten Broeck who has resigned, and thereupon Resolved that a new Election be held at the usual place of election in the said ward on Monday the ninth day of April instant, at one o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of electing an Alderman in the stead of Alderman Ten Broeck, and that Alderman Stringer and one or more of the Assistants of said ward superintend the said Election. And ordered that the Clerk give notice of the time and place of election.

John Ten Broeck Esquire produced a Commission from the Governor and Council of Appointment for Sheriff of the City and County of Albany. Mr. Recorder then moved and was seconded by Alderman Stringer, that Mr. Ten Broeck be qualified in that office by the Board. Debates arose and the Question being put it was carried in the negative in manner following:

For the Affirmative—Mr. Recorder, Samuel Stringer, Leo. Gansevoort Jun<sup>r</sup>, Isaac D. Fonda.

For the Negative—Peter W. Yates, John N. Bleeker, John Roorbach, Robert McClellan, Peter W. Douw, Cornelius Swits, Matthew Visscher.

April 4. An account of Mr. Marte Myndertse was laid before the Board for iron work made for the use of the Docks, &c., amounting to £55:8 which is allowed, and ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain to pay the balance due after deducting the amount of the

Corporation account against him for a Lot of Ground and Rent due thereon.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Chamberlain in favor of Thomas Seeger for four Skipples of wheat on account.

Resolved that the Clerk draw orders on the Chamberlain to pay the following accounts, to wit: Isaac Hoogkerk £3:18; Anna Fryer £1:14; William Van Wie £1; Philip Elsworth 9s.; Rykert Van Sante £3.

Resolved the Clerk draw orders on the Chamberlain for the following quantities of wheat on account at 4s. 6d <sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub> Skipple, to wit:

Widow of William Hilton six Skipples; John A. Lansing six do; Rykert Van Sante six do; Isaac Hooghkerk six do; Anna Fryer six do; William Van Wie four and a half do; Philip Elsworth two do,

Messrs. Thomas Lotteridge and Dirck Hansen appeared before the Board, and informed that they were inclined to leave the Ferry and the Lot of Ground near the same for a number of years, and to build a house on the said Lot, provided they could agree with the Board on the terms.

Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to take the same into consideration, and report with all convenient speed whether and on what terms the said Ferry and Lot of Ground should be let.

The Committee chosen for the purpose are Peter W. Yates Esq., Matthew Visscher and Isaac D. Fonda.

Resolved that the Lot late Comfort Seevers's be leased unto Peter Sharp for the term of three years at forty shillings per annum.

April 12. Alderman Stringer returned a Poll of an Election held in the third ward of this City for one Alderman in the room and stead of John Ten Broeck Esquire who has resigned, and by inspecting the said Poll it appears that Thomas Hun has the majority of votes, in consequence of which the necessary Oaths were administered to him and he took his seat.

Resolved that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of Garret Van Vranken for six Skipples of wheat and that the same be placed to his account.

Resolved that an order be drawn on the Treasurer in favor of John James Abbot for six Skipples of wheat to be delivered to Neal Shaw for a rope purchased of the said Neal Shaw for the use of the Town Clock.

Resolved that Docks be sold at public Vendue on Monday the day of April instant, and that the Clerk give public notice thereof by public Advertisements.

Resolved that Jacob Gardinier be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to take into his charge all that tract or parcel of Land commonly called Tiononderoga in Tryon County, belonging to this Board, that he superintend the whole and see that the fences and builings thereon be not wantonly destroyed, that he contract with the several persons improving the said Lands for the rent of one bushel per morgan, that he apportion the said Lands among such persons as are settled upon the same in such manner as he shall deem just and equitable having a proper regard to the political characters of persons applying to him, and their respective necessities and sufferings, that he take all possible means to secure to this Board the rents above specified, and that he do all other things necessary and expedient, and that he be allowed the use of ten morgans of the said Land for his trouble without any reservation pro-

vided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize the said Jacob Gardinier to contract any debts for or on account of this Board.

Resolved that the above powers and authorities as also the use of the ten morgans of Land to the said Jacob Gardinier continue only for the present year.

Ordered that the Clerk furnish Mr. Gardinier with a certified copy of the above Resolutions.

May 7. A Letter dated the 4 May ins', signed by Hugh Mitchell, Abraham Wempel, Abraham Fonda, Henry Glen and Myndert M. Wempel of Schenectady, setting forth the expediency of having Scouts to observe the approach of the Enemy from Canada and requesting a meeting on the subject.

Resolved that this Board will meet the said Gentlemen or any of them to devise ways and means for the purpose aforesaid, as the safety of this City and the Town of Schenectady requires a measure of that nature to be pursued.

Resolved therefore that the said Gentlemen be desired to meet this Board at this City as soon as possible.

Whereas it is deemed necessary for the public safety and the safety of this City that the fort in this City should be immediately repaired,

Resolved that application be made to General James Clinton and a Committee he appointed to confer with him on the subject.

Resolved that Mr. Recorder, Mr. Visscher, Mr. Fonda and Mr. Swits be a Committee for that purpose.

Upon application of Mr. Peter Sharp and considering the debt due by this Board to the said Sharp,

Resolved that the Lot late Comfort Seevers's be sold to the said Peter Sharp for the same consideration and same annual reservation as the same was heretofore sold to said Seever's.

May 11. Resolved that there be a vacancy of the Academy and that the same continue for the space of three weeks from Tuesday the 15th instant.

Hugh Mitchell, Abraham Outhoudt and Myndert W. Wemple Esquires appeared before the Board on the subject mentioned in their Letter of the 4th instant, and after some consideration

Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to take the same into consideration and report a plan how and in what manner Scouts shall be employed, and in what manner the money necessary for their support is most expedient to be raised. The Committee chosen for the purpose are Mr. Recorder, Alderman Yates and Mr. Fonda, or any two of them.

An account of John A. Lansing was laid before the Board amounting to four pounds which was allowed and ordered that the Clerk draw an order on the Treasurer to pay the same, and that he deduct therefrom the wheat he has received.

May 12. Received a Letter dated 26 April last, signed Gerrit Putman and others respecting the Lands of Tiononderoga.

Resolved that the Clerk write Letters to Jacob Gardinier and Gerrit Putman and others requesting the said Jacob Gardinier, the said Gerrit Putman or any two of the subscribers to come down with all possible speed, and that he also inform them, that it is the intention of the Board not to exact any rent from them for the present year.

Whereas it has been suggested to the Board that Col<sup>o</sup> John Van Rensselaer has leased the right of ferriage from Greenbush to this City, to which this Board claim an exclusive right and it is apprehended that the Corporation will be reduced in consequence thereof to the necessity of instituting suits at Law, to defend their right to the said Ferry if Col<sup>o</sup> Van Rensselaer shall persist in his claim.

Therefore resolved that Egbert Benson, Peter W. Yates, Stephen Lush, John McKesson and John Lansing Junior, Esquires, be retained as attorneys to manage all disputes and controversies that may arise respecting the same.

Resolved that the Clerk inclose copy of the said Resolution to each of the Gentlemen named therein and request them to inform the Board whether they accept of the retainer.

Mr. Recorder from the Committee appointed to confer with Gen. James Clinton on the expediency of repairing the fort in this City, reported that in obedience to the order of this Board they had waited upon Gen<sup>l</sup> Clinton and that upon conferring with the Gen<sup>l</sup> upon the subject, he concurred with this Board in opinion, that the Fort ought to be repaired and that he would afford all the assistance in his power to compleat the business.

The Committee also reported the quantity of Timber necessary to repair the same in such manner as to make it defensible against small arms, and to compleat the houses therein for the reception of such Officers as may be stationed in this City. The Report of Committee on file.

Resolved that this Board agree with their Committee in the report, and thereupon

Resolved that every taxable person in this City be and they are hereby requested to furnish one days labor of a man towards the repairs necessary to be done to the said Fort. That the rotation of the persons to render the said labor be according to the tax Lists last formed by the Assessor, and that the persons to perform said labor be taken alternately from the three wards in this City.

Resolved that Isaac D. Fonda and Peter Sharp be and they are hereby appointed to superintend the said work and that they cause the Marshall of this Board to notify so many of the said persons as they shall conceive necessary from time to time to be employed in the said business.

Resolved that the Clerk write to General Schuyler requesting him to furnish this Board with three hundred inch and a half plank and three hundred two inch plank for the repairs of the Fort and Bridges in this City.

Resolved that the persons appointed to superintend this work do from time to time call upon General Clinton for all the iron work and nails that shall be wanted about the work.

Alderman Yates from the Committee to whom were referred the manner of employing Scouts to gain intelligence, and to propose a method of procuring money for the payment of the said Scouts.

Whereas the present exposed condition of the northern and western Frontiers of this State renders it absolutely necessary immediately to set on foot a Scout in order to obtain intelligence of the approach and motions of the Enemy from the northward and westward, that the Inhabitants in the Frontiers may be duly notified and the militia called out in due season to repel the Enemy. And whereas no method but that by voluntary subscription can be at present adopted in order to raise monies for

the purposes aforesaid nor until provision be made in the premises by the Legislature, which will it is expected undoubtedly refund to the subscribers by way of tax the monies which shall be subscribed for the purposes aforesaid and to which end application will be made to the Legislature at their next meeting.

And whereas it is intended that the Commissioners of conspiracy residing in the township of Schenectady are to procure six white men and four Indians to scout as aforesaid and are to have the superintendance and direction of the said Scout.

We the subscribers do therefore promise to pay to the said Commissioners on demand the sum opposite to our respective names. Dated this 12 May, 1781.

Resolved that the Board agree with their Committee in the said report.

May 15. Whereas there has for a long time a dispute subsisted between the heirs of Peter Douw deceased and this Board relative to a piece of Ground now in the possession of Geertruy McIntosh, and it being suggested to the Board that the said heirs were anxious to have the same determined,

Therefore resolved that this Board will submit the same to the determination of Robert Yates and John R. Blecker Esq<sup>r</sup> and Mr. Jacob Roseboom or any two of them, and that both parties enter into bonds to abide the determination of the said Robert Yates, John R. Blecker and Jacob Roseboom, or any two of them.

Resolved that Aldermen Yates and Hun and Mr. Visscher be a Committee to draw the bonds of arbitration and to manage the said dispute on behalf of this Board.

An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for regulating the running at large of swine within the limits therein mentioned," was this day published.

Ordered that the Clerk send copies of the subscription to the several districts in this County enclosed in a Letter to the Supervisor thereof.

An account of Anna Fryer was laid before the Board amounting to £1:14 which is allowed and ordered to be paid.

Also an account of Isaac Fryer amounting to £1:6.

May 28 Messrs. Van Sant, Quackenboss, Jacob Seeber and William Colon appeared before the Board in consequence of the Letter of the Clerk to them, and severally complained of the partiality shown by Jacob Gardinier in parceling out the Lands at Tiononderoga and threatening to take away such as had been sowed by them.

Resolved that as Jacob Gardinier is not present that they be informed the Board will give them their determination in the matter as soon as they have heard the said Jacob Gardinier.

July 7. It being suggested to this Board that in the general orders issued yesterday by General Clinton, illiberal reflections were cast upon the Inhabitants of this City, whereupon Mr. Recorder moved and was seconded that application be made by Letter to General Clinton for a copy of said orders, which was carried in the affirmative.

Resolved that Mr. Recorder prepare the said Letter. Mr. Recorder brought in the said Letter, which being read was agreed to and is in the following words, to wit:

Sir: It has been represented to the Corporation that the general orders

of yesterday are replete with reflections on the Inhabitants of this City; conscious that they do not merit a treatment which may have a tendency to alienate the affections of the Troops of the United States (and especially of this State) from them, we esteem it an indispensable duty to remove any impressions which those orders may have made and beg for that purpose to be furnished with a copy of them.

Resolved that the several Docks belonging to this Board be sold at public vendue on Tuesday next, and that the Clerk put up Advertisements notifying the sale.

An account of Leonard Gansevoort Esquire amounting to eleven shillings was laid before the Board which is allowed and ordered to be paid.

Also the following accounts which were allowed: Jacobus Van Santo £3:4; Thomas Hilton £2:16.

It being suggested that Messrs. Gerrit Staats, Henry Van Vechten, James Caldwell and Volkert A. Douw, could give the Board information respecting General Clintons casting reflections on the Inhabitants of this City.

Thereupon resolved that the said Gerrit Staats, Henry Van Vechten, James Caldwell and Volkert A. Douw be requested to attend the Board on the ninth instant.

July 9. The Clerk laid before the Board the Letter he had received from General Clinton's Aid de camp with copy of general orders of the 7th instant inclosed, which were respectively read and are as follows:

ALBANY, July 7, 1782 [1?]

Sir: I am directed by the General to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of this days date, containing the requisition of the Corporation and to present them, thro' you, with a literal copy of the orders of yesterday, with his thanks for the opportunity they have given him of removing any prejudices, which illiberal and disaffected minds may be disposed to excite.

The General is very sorry that any of the virtuous part of this community, for whom he has ever entertained the highest esteem, should feel themselves injured by the severities of expression, dictated by an honest zeal, and pointed only at those persons whose secret desires have already reduced this seemingly devoted State to its present distressed situation. That such characters not only exist but are even fostered in the bosom of our Country, is too well known to be denied.

Should any further Explanation be tho't necessary on the occasion, the General is disposed to give it when called upon.

This Letter with its enclosures would not have been so long detain'd, but the original orders were in the hands of the Adjutant, who omitted returning them previous to his embarking with the Troops.

By order of the General.

W. POPHAM.

Aid de Camp.

Head Quarters, July 7th, 1781.

Nothing can equal the Generals surprise and astonishment at the unmilitary conduct of the Troops, but his resentment and abhorrence of the infamous disaffected incendiaries who under the pretence of acting as friends to the Soldier have industriously endeavoured to prompt him to a line of conduct which so far from producing them redress will eternally fix an indellible stain and reproach on his character.

He requests the Troops to take a view of their conduct and the conse-