

same manner, as the salary of the Judge of the County Court of the City and County of Francisco is now paid.

SEC. 16. The District Attorney in and for the said city and county may, by written certificate, signed by himself, appoint an Assistant District Attorney, who shall be entitled to receive salary of three hundred dollars a month, payable as the salary of the District Attorney is now payable by the law, and who shall assist in the performance of any official duty enjoined on the District Attorney by law. \* \* \*

SUPPLEMENTAL XXXIII.—*An Act to provide for the Completion of the New City Hall.*—Approved April 3, 1876.

By the provisions of this Act \* the Mayor, Auditor, and City and County Attorney are constituted a Commission to carry on the work, according to the plans heretofore adopted for a permanent building, as contemplated by the Act of eighteen hundred and seventy. They shall appoint a Secretary, an Architect, and a Superintendent of Works, the latter to be a master builder and a resident of the city for five years. The salary of each Commissioner is one hundred dollars a month; Secretary, one hundred and fifty dollars; Architect, three hundred dollars; Superintendent, two hundred dollars. Meetings of the Board of Commissioners must be public, and their records and proceedings open to the inspection of the public.

In the event that the Board of Supervisors shall deem it expedient to continue the construction of the new City Hall in the mode and manner prescribed by this Act, they are authorized and empowered to express such judgment by resolution or order in such form as they may deem proper. And for the purpose of raising the money necessary to complete said building, the Board of Supervisors are authorized and empowered to levy and collect annually for the fiscal year, commencing July 1st, 1876, and ending June 30th, 1877, and each and every fiscal year thereafter, during the four fiscal years next ensuing, in the same manner and at the same times other taxes are levied and collected, an *ad valorem* property tax, on real and personal property within said city and county, of fifteen cents on each \$100 of value, as shown by the assessment roll for the current fiscal year. The money arising from such tax shall be kept by the City and County Treasurer in a fund to be called "The New City Hall Fund," out of which shall be paid all claims for labor, materials, etc. In no case shall any portion of said fund be used or expended for any other purpose than that herein indicated, nor shall any part of the cost of the construction of said building be paid out of any other fund; nor shall any lien for work, labor, or material, at any time attach to the said building, nor the land upon which the same is located, in any manner whatever.

The Board of Commissioners, in each fiscal year, may make contracts and expend in the construction of said building a sum equal to the estimated receipts of the fund during the current fiscal year, but no larger or greater sum; nor shall the said city or county be liable upon any contract or agreement for work, labor, or material furnished, or anything whatsoever, for any larger or greater sum than is in said fund at the time the contract or agreement is made, or liability created. The first moneys coming into the fund hereby authorized to be created shall be applied by the said Board of Commissioners to completing, so that it may be immediately occupied, that part of the City Hall which is intended to be used as the Hall of Records, the office of the City and County Recorder. And other moneys coming into the fund shall be expended as far as practicable without increasing the cost of the work, in completing, from time to time, other parts of the said building; and the parts so completed shall be used for the purposes for which they were constructed as soon as they are ready for occupancy. The Commissioners may make payments to contractors from time to time, as work progresses or materials are furnished. But until the contract is completed, at no time shall payment exceed seventy-five per cent. of the value of the labor or materials furnished, which said value shall be ascertained and determined by the Architect and Superintendent, subject to the approval of the Commissioners.

The Commissioners shall not, nor shall the Architect, the Superintendent, or the Secretary, interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract for work, labor, or materials furnished in the construction of the City Hall, nor shall either of them be allowed to receive any gratuity, advantage from any contractor, laborer, or person furnishing labor or materials for the same. Violation of the provisions of this section shall be a felony, and upon conviction thereof the party so offending shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$5000, or imprisoned in the State Prison for a period not exceeding five years, or by both fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the Court.

The Act also provides penalties for any officer in any way connected with the construction of the building who shall be guilty of any fraud therein. It further provides for an annual publication, by the Commissioners, of a statement of receipts and expenditures; for the proposals or bids, how bids shall be considered and awarded and contracts entered into, and other necessary details.

SUPPLEMENTAL XXXIV.—*An Act Authorizing the Widening of Dupont Street.*—Approved March 24, 1876.

SECTION 1. The width of the street known as Dupont street, in the City and County of San Francisco, shall, subject to the provisions of this Act, be increased, so that the said street

\*An abstract containing the prominent features of this important law.