The assessed valuation of property was: Real estate and improvements, \$190,389,410; personal property, \$54,246,350; total \$244,635,760. The rate of taxation for State, City and County was \$2 24 on the \$100. The amount of taxes collected from real estate and improvements was \$4,203.423 35, and from personal property \$795,456 02, and from penalties, back taxes, Montgomery Avenue and Dupont Street taxes, \$454,656 71.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT gives the transactions during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1879, and the state of the finances at the latter mentioned date: Balance at credit of City and County of San Francisco, \$475,771 24; Receipts during the year, \$6,775,518 08—Total, \$7,251,289 32. Demands paid during the year, \$5,528,352 71; Balance, \$1,722,936 61, accredited to the various Funds. Balance at credit of State of California June 30, 1878, \$8,940 89; Receipts to credit of the State during the year, \$1,287,842 55—Total, \$1,296,783 44. Settlement with Controller of State during the year, \$1,296,140 12. Balance, \$643 32.

THE AUDITOR'S REPORT gives the amount of demands audited during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1879, \$5,103,398 65. The total demands audited on the New City Hall Fund from date of present Commission to July 1st, 1879, \$1,152,835 10. Audited for furniture, \$15,000. Among the amounts audited are: City and County Officers' salaries, \$532,594 74; Police Officers' salaries, \$433,848 39; Fire Department salaries, \$188,080 00; other expenses of Fire Department, \$112,098 06; City and County Hospital, \$93,992 75; Alms House, \$59,518 13; Industrial School, \$51,177 63; House of Correction, \$62,113 75; Training Ship "Jamestown," \$29,481 66; Registration and Election Expenses, \$56,114 19; Purchase of Mission and Ocean Beach Toll Road, \$28,730; Purchase of San Francisco and Point Lobos Toll Road, \$26,587; School Department, other than salary of Superintendent and Deputy, and interest account and sinking funds, \$810,173 39; Lighting streets and repairs of lampposts and lamps, \$248,322 99; Damages by rioters, \$2,818 95; Street Department expenses other than salaries of Superintendent and Deputies, \$471,890 91; Interest on Funded Debt, \$283,246 66; New City Hall demands for fiscal year 1878-79, \$343,907 22. Loans from Sinking Fund fiscal year 1878-79, \$413,500; Bonds redeemed, fiscal year 1878-79, \$116,303 15. The estimated expenditure for the year 1879-80, \$4,033,407 00.

The Report of the Superintendent of Streets says it has been the constant aim of this department to keep its expenses within the limits prescribed by law, and it is now in a condition to commence the next fiscal year free from debt, and for the first time knows positively the exact condition of its finances. \$260,000 of indebtedness accruing previous to the last fiscal year was paid from the Street Fund. The principal work done has been by day's labor, instead of by contract, and, while the cost is a little more, the superiority of the work proves the advantage of the system. The Superintendent recommends the disuse of cobbles for pavement on level streets, replacing the same with basalt or granite blocks. The experiments of the past year fully illustrates that we have on this peninsula rock that will make first-class macadam. With streets thus prepared, well watered and kept in order, no city could present better suburban driveways than San Francisco. "The construction of a driveway along Tyler street to Golden Gate Park. when completed, will make it one of the best roadways on the continent. Taking Tyler street as a line east and west, and Van Ness avenue north and south, crossing Market street, connecting with some main street leading to the county line, and north connecting with some main street to the Presidio, would be a credit to the city, and offer inducements for people of wealth and leisure to reside among us, instead of seeking residences in neighboring towns and cities." The cost of work done in fiscal year 1878-79, as per assessment records, was \$699,793 19. The amount drawn from the Street Department Fund was \$398,079 76. The total length of sewers constructed from July 1856 to July 1878 was 119.6 miles, and from July 1878 to July 1879 4.8 miles, making a total of sewers of 124.4 miles.

## Registration of Votes.

By an Act passed by the Legislature of 1878, the office of Registrar of Voters was created for the City and County of San Francisco, and Mr. Louis Kaplan was appointed Registrar. In his Report to the Board of Supervisors, dated October 27, 1879, he gives the number of names on the Ward Registers, and the number of votes cast for the years as follows: 1875, Registered, 33,848; votes cast, 25,653; 1876, registered, 46,671; votes, 41,646; 1877, registered, 50,004; votes, 33,663; 1878, registered, 37,915; votes, 27,098; 1879, special election, registered, 47,740; votes, 38,034; general election, registered, 44,765; votes, 41,612. In the Registration of 1876 are contained 12,226 names of persons to whom certificates of registration were given that were not in the printed copies furnished to the public. A great many names of persons deceased, or not residents of San Francisco, were stricken from the Register of 1877 by the Election Commissioners, and, in 1879, preparatory to the special election on the New Constitution, the Register was thoroughly revised. In January, 1879, there were registered 37,915 names, of whom 16,809 were of natives of the United States, and 21,106 foreign born. Of the natives 4,500 were born in New York, 2,573 in Massachusetts, 1,489 in California, 1,294 in Maine, and 1,194 in Pennsylvania. Of the foreign-born 10,000 were from Ireland, 5,630