this officer. It is but twenty thousand dollars, which I think is entirely insufficient when compared with the bonds of other officers who make their returns to him.

COMPTROLLER.

The duties of this position are ably performed by Samuel Maccubbin, Esq., his urbanity, integrity, and experience give great assistance in the careful management of the affairs of the city; I am under the impression that the bond of this officer (ten thousand dollars) is less than it should be. It is with deference that I thus call your attention to these conclusions, having but one object in view, the security of the city's interests, and believing it to be our duty to place every necessary check, notwithstanding the undoubted integrity of officers.

CITY COLLECTOR.

The ability and ease with which Augustus M. Price, Esq., with his able corps of assistants, manages this department of the City Government, challenges the admiration of all those who have any idea of the complex duties of the position.

An examination of the following table will show the amount of City taxes collected in the year 1863, from the levy of that year, as well as all previous years left uncollected.

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LEVIES.	TAX.		INTEREST.		DISCOUNT.		TOTAL.	
1857	22	16	6	76	miney :	refat	28	29
1858	167	17	42	21	fromfultt		209	
1859	2,507		The second secon				3,018	
1860	14,205	36	2,051	42	TIONU 0		16,256	2 2 3 3
1861	57,064	42	4,337	41	- malkin		61,401	-
1862	269,683	31	2,668	12	16	74		
1863 Pers'l.	251,330	53	LEGIS L		15,472	St. 16 (75) 15 (15)	The state of the s	
1863 Real.	596,456			131	22,940			
World Sid to	\$1,191,437	25	9,616	48	38,429	84	\$1,274,775	58
Opening	streets, pav	ing	, &c.,		DO WAL	RIT	35,292	01

The following table gives the proportion of taxes collected within the year in which the levies were made, as appears in published reports and books in the Collector's Office. You will perceive that the proportion collected in 1863 is 72 and 24 hundredths per cent. of the levy. This result is much better than has ever been produced by any previous collector, and surpasses 1861 by 13 and 74 hundredths per cent. The Collector expects to advance to 75 per cent. of the entire levy in the year 1864. These results give great satisfaction, and leaves a high grade of attainment to be emulated by those who follow in this position.

LEVIES.	BASIS AT CLOSE OF YEAR.	COLLECTED UPON.	PER CENT.	
1859	\$135,499,873	80,049,758		
1860	138,505,766	78,157,821	.5643	
1861	138,199,960	80,840,638	.5850	
1862	134,532,804	91,675,895	.781	
1863	135,079,375	97,582,707	.7224	