in which the workings of our system are developed in their intelligent bearings and the development of the mental powers of the pupils secured.

The superintendence of the schools is by far the most important, as well as the most laborious part of the Treasurer's duty, and it has now become essential to the harmonious and successful prosecution of our admirable system of Public School instruction.

NEW BUILDINGS, ETC., IN THE SEVERAL WARDS.

The committee in charge of the schools in the several wards have presented their usual applications for new buildings and other improvements, which they desire shall be granted by your Honorable Body. The buildings and other improvements as desired are the following:

First Ward.—The committee in charge of the schools in this ward state that the school accommodations afforded the vicinity are entirely insufficient, and request an appropriation for the erection of a building for the use of Female Primary School No. 30, which is conducted in a rented building located on the corner of Lombard and Washington streets. By an order of the City Council, passed several years ago, the Board leased a lot of ground on Wolff street near Lombard street, on account of which an annual rent of one hundred and seventy-fiye dollars is paid. An appropriation of ten thousand dollars will enable the Board to erect the building as desired. The additional school accommodations contemplated in this application of the committee are pressed at the present time on account of the continued crowded condition of Male and Female Primary Schools, No. 3, which are situated on the corner of Wolff and Gough streets. These schools may be relieved, and Primary School No. 30 may be enlarged by the erection of the proposed building.

Second Ward.—The committee in charge of Primary School, No. 25, have not been able to secure a lot in a suitable location for the accommodation of the school, as directed

by the City Council at a late session. They desire that the authority granted for the leasing of the lot and the building of the house for the use of the school shall be continued. They have a lot eligibly situated in prospect, which may now be secured. The dilapidated condition of the rented building on Eastern avenue, now occupied by the school, renders the proposed improvement an absolute necessity. An appropriation of eight thousand dollars will be sufficient to erect the building.

Fourth Ward.—The improvement suggested two years ago by the committee in charge of Male and Female Grammar Schools, No. 14, on the corner of Gough and Stiles streets, is renewed at the present time. The schools are large and flourishing and need more extended yard accommodations. The lot on Stiles street, adjoining the school, can be secured at a moderate price, which will afford ample space for the use of the pupils of both schools. It is urged that this improvement is necessary to the heathful exercise of the pupils at recess as well as for the proper ventilation of the building, which will conduce to the health of both teachers and pupils.

Fifth Ward.—The continued annual increase in the number of pupils attending the Eastern Female High School induces the committee in charge of the school to apply for permission to enlarge the building. Additional recitation rooms are needed, and greater conveniences are desired in relation to the study room, the entrance to which is awkward, and entirely insufficient in regard to space and arrangement. It is suggested that means be afforded to render the Eastern School equally comfortable and as happily situated as the Western in regard to school accommodations.

Eighth Ward.—The commmittee of Male and Female Grammar Schools, No. 5, renew the application presented to the City Council some years ago, for permission to dispose of the lot and building, on the corner of Monument and Forrest streets, and provide, in a better location, more suitable accommodations for the schools. The difficulties and