

Jan. 6

Honorable

Mayor Strong -

Dear Sir

Fiat justitia, quae coe-
lum - and presuming
you take the place of
of May Child, as trustee of
the Leake and Wallis Orphan
Home in Yonkers - New York City -
I appeal to you in the
name of all your loved
and the dead mother &
fathers helpless in their
graves, to shield them
from helpless innocents

orphan children who have
been nearly starved to
death for eight days
on scant portions of dry
bread and cold water
by the order of the inhuman
brute George R. Brown
(the Superintendent) &
his wife the matron
who told me "although
the two dear motherless boys
Maurice & Carl Hoffman
were innocent & good boys
yet they were compelled
to starve eight days" &
walk over 3 miles to church
& back on bread & water diet

and now because I revealed
that fact & other diabolical
cruelities of said Brown - to
the President, Myron Dix -
said Brown has presumed
to send me an order
to remove said two good
boys - What must I do - ?
Is there any power to
compell the removal
of Brown & his wife
& put Christian in their
place - ? Call a meeting
& you will be grieved
to learn the inhuman
treatment our poor
helpless ones are sub-
jected to by said
brutal Brown -

I can produce witnesses
who are waiting to see
if you & the Trustees
are going to turn out
Brown & have the poor
orphans treated like human
beings - if not, they are
going to the Editors of
our public papers &
I will give the facts
from the stage in
Academy of Music -

Awaiting your answer
and wishing you & yours
every earthly blessing - believe
me the friend of justice &
the poor orphans -
Lady L. Langdon Nicholas
558 West 42 St. - N.Y. - Jan 5/89

I fear, rest beneath the
 snow by the side of his
 beautiful wife whose
 babe (Harvey Nicholas)
 I adopted when 8 days
 old - I was stolen by our
 Slave master Commodore
 Perry - from my tender care
 thrown on Randall's Island
 when a beautiful rosy babe
 and there starved, and
beaten to death, & returned
 to me by Rev. Stephen Merritt
 & J. Campbell in his velvet
 Casket, a perfect skeleton
 with marks of cruel
 blows upon his tender body
 in his 22 months

6/ I enclose you the ^{1st 2nd 3rd} Cases to
read (please return when
through with ~~the~~ the articles)
Am going before the grand
jury this month & state the
said case & appeal to them
to indict all guilty ones
for manslaughter - also
the Drs who carried up
your Masonic brother, &
32^d mason, my noble son
the peerless Thought Reader,
Sir Eminent Commander
Washington Irving Wellington
Bishop - Am preparing
a lecture on said
subject and the rotten
administration of the

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Grand Jurors of America
in many of my important
Cases - Oh! do not permit
me to announce from
the stage that I appealed
to you, our good Mayor
to save the poor wretches
in vain - whose parents
lie helpless in their
graves - I have proof
of more cruelties than I
have stated to you -
and parties are ready
to appeal to the Editors
of our daily papers to
expose their cause -
I beg improve in the

8
of Our Master on High -
protect the Children
of Whirl in the Kingdom
of Heaven - and you
will be loved by every
noble Citizen - I now
offer you my services free
of Charge to visit all
institutions at Midnight
and Early dawn, and
report to you all the
diabolical Cruelties
I know - are being done
to the helpless babe - children -
Hospital patients - prisoners
& the insane - The
Chapter of Horrors I have
need to unveil will

(if possible) outrival?
those I revealed relative
to Bellevue Hospital
in Cooper Institute &
the Academy April 24/72 -

I will devote all my
life, in bringing to
punishment our vile
public servants - and
will pay all such
claims if you will only
give me power -
as I know the unimpeach-
-able judges before
whom I would
drag the worse
than brutes for
trial & imprisonment -

Am yet feeble &
 under physician care -
 and competent nurse -
 I trust you will never
 pass such sad news
 as I did - out of an empty
 chair, & cradle to
 gaze upon through my
 tear-dim'd eyes - with
 my heart breaking for
 my two sons - who were
 most inhumanly murdered -
 Or dear Mr Strong
 strike a Coup d'etat -
 in behalf of Justice -
 for our murdered, and
 living orphans, as

I will not vindicate
 but more -
 awaiting your reply,
 and letter, to present
 to Rev Mr Morgan Dix,
 requesting the interest
 of Messrs Martin Maurice
 and Carl J. Foster to
 remain in said
 Leake and Watts
 Home, and compel
 proper, and sufficient
 provision for all
 the dear orphans now
 in said Home

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Whose Case & others I
will present to the
Legislature - I have
the honor to be
Yours most Courteously
the friend of Honor,
Truth, and Justice,
Lucy Bishop Nicholas
558 West 42^d Street
New York -

Jan 6/97.

To
Honorable
Mazyn Strong of
Greater New York
City Hall
New York.

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Honorable Mayor,

Dear Sir -

In answer
-ver to your prompt
reply to my note - may
I implore you to appoint
some uncorruptable man
to take your place, ^(like yourself) as
trustee of the Leake & Watts
Orphan House. and send
me a letter to present
personally to President

Morgan Dix of Trinity Church,
 asking him, to do you the
 great favor, of retaining
 the two motherless boys
 Masters Maurice and Carl
 Sfostrum in said Home,
 until they are fifteen -
 one is nearly 11 - and the
 other nearly 9 - years old
 innocent, and well behaved,
 boys - Therefore, why should
 they suffer, and the guilty
 Superintendent Geny R. Brown
 who starved the innocent
 children eight days on dry
 bread, and water ^{or peas,} when
 even Mrs Brown & Brown

Told my friend & self, ³
 that they were obedient
 children - but they were
 compelled to furnish
 the innocent with the
 guilty - Do you call
 that justice? Do you
 not deem it your, and
 the duty of the public,
 to turn out corrupt -
 untruthful, and brutal
 Superintendents like Brown?
 Also demand the books
 of the Home - and investigate
 where the vast sums of
 money left by the noble
 dead - go to? —
 and why the poor children

4 never get sufficient dry
bread to eat? _____

Surely there can be no
demand upon your time,
more important, than to
at once, rescue the poor
helpless, & innocent orphans
from starvation, and
cruel blows - Moreover,
if the poor boys are turned
out - they have now nowhere
to go to, except my humble
one, where I am ill under
physicians, and dear noble
philanthropic Mrs Thredwell
Havens's care - as their
father is very delicate -
out of employment - & will
soon

Jan'y 6th 1897

14 NASSAU STREET.

My dear Mr Mayor,

When I saw you
last you stated that you
were very much in favor of
keeping Mr McClay in
the position he holds on the
Board of Education. In view
of this I would suggest that
you express your ^{opinion} views on this
subject to Mr James Speyer
and to the other Commissioners
recently appointed by you

I think Mr Maday has
demonstrated his great
impulsion to the schools of
this City and it would be
a pity to have him retired
from an office the duties
of which he has so
efficiently discharged.

Truly Yours
Edward Simmons

To

Wm W. L. Thurg

Private

105 West 100th St

New York

January 6th 97

To His Honor

W^m L. Strong

Mayor

New York City

I am suffering from a severe
attack of inflammatory rheumatism
and have no money to buy medicines.
out of employment and a large family.

Believing you sympathize with a
person in my condition, I hope you
will pardon the liberty I take in asking
your Honor to send me some medicine
to relieve my suffering for which I
shall be ever gratefull.

Yours most Respectfully

Richard

January 5th, 1897.

Hon. Silas C. Croft,

President.

Dear Sir:

My many duties have prevented an earlier reply to your letter of December 19th. I think your point of view is to be respected; but I also think that you do not appreciate the effect of your proposed action either upon the College of Physicians and Surgeons or upon the Bellevue Hospital.

You propose to continue the University and the Bellevue Medical Schools in their present teaching privileges because you perceive that their nearness to the hospital makes them entirely dependent upon the use of the hospital. Because the College of Physicians and Surgeons has had the enterprise not to lean entirely upon the public, you propose to punish it by depriving it of privileges that are nevertheless vitally important to it. You assume that the College of Physicians and Surgeons does not make use of the clinical privileges at Bellevue. The enclosed extract from our catalogue will show you how inaccurately you have been informed. In this connection, I deem it legitimate to call your attention to the fact that, by the law of the State, the medical curriculum is now four years in length. In order to secure clinical privileges for the students to whom we are obliged to give this thorough training, we are obliged to avail of every clinical privilege we can secure in every hospital in the city. Even so it is hard to get opportunities equal to our needs.

If, therefore, you deprive the College of Physicians and Surgeons of any of its present privileges at Bellevue, you strike a blow at the oldest and best medical school in the State; a school which every consideration of sound public policy ought to lead you to strengthen in all legitimate ways. By the same act, you would do serious injury to the Hospital which I cheerfully concede is rightly the object of your chief concern. The distinguished physicians who hold the clinics for the students of the College of Physicians and Surgeons give their service to the hospital largely because it offers to them the opportunity to teach. Deprive them of this opportunity, and you probably would have to accept the service of less able men; and the very men who would take their places would do so in order to avail of the privilege of teaching that the hospital affords. You would thus simply have changed one set of teachers for another; and, in doing so, you would have inflicted a damaging blow to a medical school that ought to be the pride of the city; and, without any advantage to the hospital and probably to its harm, you would be helping to build up new teaching agencies at the expense of the old.

I sincerely trust that reflection will lead you to abandon the proposed scheme; which I am obliged to think is both inherently unjust to the College of Physicians and Surgeons and contrary to the public interest as represented by the Bellevue Hospital which is your immediate charge.

Respectfully,

President.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK

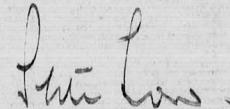
PRESIDENT'S ROOM

January 6th, 1897.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

Some time ago I received from Mr. Croft a reply to my letter addressed to you, concerning the proposed rearrangement of medical supervision at the Bellevue Hospital. I take the liberty of handing you herewith a copy of my reply to him recently sent.

Yours faithfully,



Hon. William L. Strong,
City Hall,
New York.

STATE OF NEW YORK.
OFFICE OF THE
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CHARLES Z. LINCOLN, LITTLE VALLEY.
WILLIAM H. JOHNSON, ONEONTA.
A. JUDD NORTHROP, SYRACUSE.

Albany, January 6, 1897.

To the President of the Village of Williamsbridge.

Dear Sir:-

This commission, in connection with the proposed revision of the village law, thought it quite desirable to obtain information concerning the date of the incorporation, the population and the present status of incorporated villages. For that purpose we sent a circular and blank to the president of each village. Nearly all the villages have responded, but the information is not yet complete. We have mailed to you three copies of the circular and blank at different times, but have not yet received the information concerning your village. We hope you will be able to give this matter your prompt attention and favor us with an early reply.

Very truly yours,

C. Z. Lincoln

STRONG AND WARING QUARREL.

Hostilities Broke Out This Time in the Mayor's Private Office.

Mayor Strong and Col. Waring have had another row. This time the hostilities were carried on in the Mayor's private office, and as the quarrel grew hotter the Mayor's voice could be heard in the outer office in angry tones berating the head of the Street Cleaning Department.

The row began yesterday morning prior to the meeting of the Board of Estimate. Later in the day the argument was resumed.

At the Board of Estimate's meeting all the members of the Board noticed the Mayor's ill humor, and after the afternoon seance the Mayor was in such a frame of mind that when he came out of the inner room he refused to administer the oath of office to Julius M. Mayer, the newly-appointed attorney for the Building Department.

Neither the Mayor nor Col. Waring would talk about the matter to-day.

24 E 47th St -
June 7 1897

Dear Mr Strong

I am not at all surprised
to see you have had a
controversy with Mr Waring.
I have been watching his work
for some time and could
not think what he was doing
with all the money he asked
for. I have thought he as
his contractors must be
making a large amount
of money as the street was
not kept at all clean. Was
when the men sweep they
do their work very badly.
It needs looking after from
M B & all 04.

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT
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January 7th, 1897

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Hon. W.L. Strong,
Mayor's Office,
New York City.

My dear Sir:-

Can you kindly tell me whether the suggestion of
~~our~~ ^{bureau} statistical has yet been adopted by the Commission on
Greater New York?

I notice that Mayor Josiah Quincy of Boston in his mes-
sage to the Common Council on Monday, January 4th, strongly
recommends "the establishment by the city of a statistical
department to be under the charge of an unpaid commission."
He mentions the fact that such officers "have for many years
been successfully maintained by Paris, Berlin and other lead-
ing continental cities". He says, moreover, that "there is
an opportunity for Boston to secure the credit of leading the
way in this very important line of work." Later he says,
"An annual publication giving an abstract in proper form of
all current statistical information relating to the city, such
as is published by some European cities, would also be a
great utility."

*Very truly
yours,
R. W. Gilder.*

JAMES C. BAYLES, PH. D.,
ENGINEER.

CABLE ADDRESS:
"CLINAL," NEW YORK.

44 Broad Street, New York,

January 7, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge, with thanks, your letter of the 4th inst.

It will give me pleasure to have any use made of my
letter to you which may be personally or officially agreeable to
you. The facts are correct, and I have no reason for wishing to
conceal my name, should my statements or opinions be made public.

I have written to Mr. M. S. Greenough, ^{Cleveland} President of Gas
Light & Coke Co., saying that any information I have is at his
disposal.

With much respect,

James C. Bayles.

LAW OFFICES OF
HAWKINS, McKAMY & HAWKINS,
TRUST BUILDING, SECOND FLOOR,
ROOMS 213, 214.

W. E. HAWKINS.
W. C. MCKAMY.
S. B. HAWKINS.

No. VS.

Dallas, Texas, 1/7, 1897

Jobe E. Hedges,

New York City, N.Y.

My Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your favor of December 22nd, in answer to my letter of recent date making inquiries about certain provisions in your city charter, and beg to thank you for your long and explanatory letter relative to the same. There will be an attempt made to obtain a new city charter before the next Legislature and I feel quite sure that many of the points answered and suggested in your letter will be of great benefit to me when the matter comes up.

Again thanking you, I am with best wishes

Yours very truly

W. C. McKamy



OFFICE OF
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OF **BEXAR COUNTY,**
THAD. W. SMITH,
CLERK.
DEPUTIES:
JUANE BARRERA,
JOHN STAPPENBECK,
R. C. SYMINGTON.

San Antonio, Texas, July 7th 1897

To the Hon. Mayor of the City of New York.
Sir:

I have in my possession a plat from an actual Survey of the City of New York, made in the year 1728, by one James Lyme. This was dedicated to John Montgomerie, who was then Capt General and Governor in Chief of the Provinces of New York and New Jersey. It also bears the name of the Mayor of that time, Col. Robt Lurting. Should this be of interest to you or your City, I would be glad to hear from you. Or, if you know of any one who would have interest in the above, please refer this letter to them. Enclosed please find envelope to my address, for answer.

Very Respectfully Yours,
Ben A. Fisk
301. S. Presa St.
San Antonio, Texas

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203 BROADWAY,

New York, July 7th 1897

John W. L. Strong
Mayor
New York City.

Dear Sir;

Referring to the letter of Mr Hedges of Dec 5th,
the Committee of Arrangements for the Annual
Banquet of this Board, at the Waldorf, June 20th,
request that, if you are prepared to name a subject
for a toast to which you will speak at the dinner,
you will kindly inform them what your selection
is. The Committee makes the suggestion for your
convenience as probably there is some subject upper-
most in your thoughts which would be appropriate
on such an occasion. and it was our purpose to ask
you for manuscript in advance which we could
put in print for the use of the newspapers that
coming.

I am yours truly,
Frank S. Gardner
Secretary

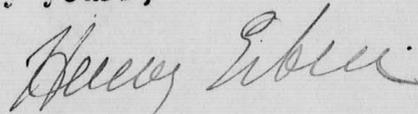
#130 East 44th Street, New York,

January 7, 1897.

Dear Sir:-

It having been proposed to establish, near the Navy Yard at Brooklyn, an Institution for the benefit of the seamen of the Navy, I beg leave to enclose herewith a circular upon the subject and to respectfully invite you to be present at a meeting for the discussion of the project, to be held at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, No. 32 Nassau Street, on Tuesday next, the 12th instant, at three p. m. Several prominent Naval Officers will be present to explain the object sought to be accomplished.

Respectfully yours,



Rear Admiral, U. S. N.

Hon. William L. Strong, Mayor,

New York City.

EXTRACT FROM "AFLOAT AND ASHORE."

MISS WESTON'S annual meeting is one that should not be missed, it so refreshingly unconventional. Miss Weston tells the story of her work with such naturalness, and with such absolute belief in the righteousness of her cause, that she compels the sympathy and enthusiasm of her audience. Her face beams with motherliness and good humor, as she recounts the numerous struggles and victories of her 'brave lads,' her trembling voice tell how proud she is of them all.

"The old times have altogether changed," she said at Exeter (Lower) Hall on Tuesday afternoon, in tones of triumph. "The spiritual life of the men in the Royal Navy to-day should shame us ashore, and in the great work of Temperance the Navy, as a body, is leading the van." There was not a ship or gunboat now that did not carry a branch of the ROYAL NAVAL TEMPERANCE SOCIETY, and did not hold meetings for praise, reading and prayer.

Alluding to the squadron recently mobilized, Miss Weston said that she did not believe that any squadron ever left our shores before with such moral and spiritual forces on board.

During the year they have sent out 19,394 pledge cards and 1,870 pledge books. At Devonport and Portsmouth alone 6,021 pledges have been taken. Indeed the increase in the number of abstainers was so great that where they gave stars of merit to ships having 5 per cent. of their crews abstainers, they have been obliged to raise it to 10 per cent., and would shortly have to make it 15.

Miss Wintz, the honorable director of the business department of the work, said that 140,000 men had slept this year at Devonport in the Rests, and 50,767 at Portsmouth. The receipts amount to £12,532. In one week they consumed a pig or a pig and a half a day in sausages. From Saturday night to Monday morning they sold to the men at the Royal Sailor's Rest 1,100 sausages, 9 hams and 1,200 eggs.

A working day began at 3 a. m. and ended at 2:30 a. m. Of course, they had a double staff, and generally she was present to keep things going smoothly. The income of the year was £15,206, of which £4,000 had been given for building purposes.

Miss Weston was supported by a corps of sailors, who spoke and gave also some interesting accounts of the good done by Miss Weston's Temperance and Christian work in the Navy.—Christian World.

Circular.

It is proposed to erect outside the new Sands Street Gate at the Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y. a Sailors' Rest or Home where sailors from our war ships may find a comfortable home, combining amusement and instruction with lodgings, refreshments, baths library, laundry, billard room, bowling alley and other conveniences, free from all contaminating influences and under the charge and management of persons devoted to the best interests of the sailors.

We have occasionally at this Yard 1,500 or 2,000 sailors and there is not a single suitable place in the vicinity of the Yard where they can assemble for innocent recreation and instruction. The monthly disbursements of spending money to sailors amounts at times to \$15,000. Sailors' Rests or Unions have been managed most successfully abroad and have returned a good revenue after paying all running expenses. It is believed that similar results may be accomplished here and the opening of the Gate now offers an opportunity to acquire adjacent property for building purposes which may never occur again and which if not bought for the purpose mentioned will certainly be purchased by other and less desirable interests. It is estimated that for the purchase of a building site, the removal of old buildings and the erection of a suitable Rest and to place it on a sustaining basis, the sum of \$150,000 will be required.

It is believed that there are enough persons in the country who are not only able but willing to contribute to this most worthy Institution and to make it a monument of their appreciation of the sailors who defend their shores.

Very respectfully,

FRANCIS JOHN HIGGINSON,

U. S. Navy.

NAVY YARD, NEW YORK,
September 20th, 1896.

CITY LECTURES COMMITTEE,

ARTHUR W. MILBURY, Secretary,

No. 170 BLEECKER STREET,

New York, Jan. 8th 1897

Hon. William L. Strong,

My Dear Col Strong:--

Will you kindly send me by bearer a copy of your Annual Message for 1896, and, so soon as it is published, a copy of the same for 1897. We find constant need for its information in our City Lectures, which, you will be glad to know are progressing finely. We begin a series in Brooklyn next week, and the Chamber of Commerce of Staten Island are arranging for 24 lectures there.

Yours very truly,

Arthur W. Milbury

New York, January 8th, 1897.

Hon. William L. Strong.

Dear Sir:

I note by the papers of late, that you are looking at some of the working of Col. Waring's Dept. and I earnestly ask while you are considering that Dept., that you will investigate the collection of the paper of the City, by a party named, Tate. He is using, in a large part of the City, dilapidated horses, worse wagons, entirely unfit for the service, few of them with proper covers, and largely driven by boys, and certainly the most wretched outfits that have ever been allowed to do City work.

I note that one of the particulars drawn to your attention was Col. Waring's application for extra things for his plant, and while I am not aware how much of a figure the carts and harness is out of the way, the horse item is very much so, as I think you will see if you get some one to investigate for you what truck horses, similar to those used by the Street Cleaning Dept., can be delivered in blocks for. I think you will find Dahlman, the Fiss, Doerr & Carroll Co., or Isaac Hahn, of East 24th St., or Devine, of West End Ave. & 65th St.-all of them make a specialty of this class of horses- would gladly take a contract to supply the same at \$140. to \$150. as the writer has seen, some three or

four months since, sales made at \$125., and why a Commissioner, under our reform administration, seeks to pay this price is beyond my conception.

Feeling that you as a wise business man and an able executive officer, will investigate both of these matters, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

A Republican Tax payer.

Grand Hôtel Noailles & Métropole
MARSEILLE

CH. RATHGEB, PROPRIÉTAIRE

MÊME MAISON
GRAND HOTEL DE RUSSIE & CONTINENTAL
GENÈVE (SUISSE)

Marseille, le jeu 8th 1897

Mayor Strong
Dear Sir:

Adresse Télégraphique: MÉTROPOLE-MARSEILLE

L. GARDET, 3, RUE NOAILLES-MARSEILLE

In regard to efforts
being made by Col. Waring
& some others to impose
restrictions on the owners
of pet dogs, which implies
banishing them from the
City, is an absurd tyrannical
& inhuman proposition
which I trust you will
use your influence to prevent
becoming a law.

I can speak ^{2.} for all children,
owners, & lovers of dogs &
with a perfect knowledge
of the requirements of the
animals. While I believe
rabies would become far
more frequent from the
resulting unhealthiness &
low-spirited condition
into which the dogs
would be thrown, & the

great inconvenience of owners
& citizens being debarred
from a legal & common
right of taking them
into the ~~street~~ public
street, the cause of
humanity in our largest

city, should triumph
over the finical whims
& personal dislike of
a limited number of
people or old fogies
who dislike animals &
the trifling annoyance
they occasion there.

Yrs truly
Mrs. Alfred R. Cookling

Mayor Strong.

Trusting you will make an appeal
in the interests of humanity to animals
to prevent such a gross restriction
which does not exist in any European city.

MISCELLANY

COLONEL WARING AND DOGS

A LETTER FROM D. B. ST. JOHN ROOSA, ESQ., M.D.

TO THE EDITOR OF OUR ANIMAL FRIENDS.

Sir.—It must have been a contemplation of dogs in Constantinople, and not of those of New York or London, that has caused our efficient Commissioner of Street Cleaning to urge Mayor Strong to advise the aldermen to banish all dogs from the city, or at least to allow them only in the middle of the streets, which Colonel Waring is employed to keep clean, and not on the sidewalks, for whose condition he does not appear to be responsible.

If we could have a *referendum* on this subject to the citizens of New York, the Commissioner would learn how completely he has antagonized public sentiment in his communication. To liken a well-bred dog, gambolling along the sidewalks of a city, to a hog wallowing in the mire of ancient and provincial New York, is to exhibit, in my judgment, great ignorance of the qualities of one of man's most faithful friends and companions. A dog in a city, if he be well bred and well cared for and properly policed, as it is now under our recent laws, is not a nuisance but a compensation for some of the necessary restrictions of city life. The same argument which would banish dogs from cities, would require very little straining to banish children. Those who regard cities simply as huge hotels for people engaged in earning their living, without recreation or diversion of mind, may sustain Colonel Waring's view; but those of us who are compelled to live nearly the whole year round in a metropolis are not yet ready, simply on account of a Street Commissioner's excessive zeal, to sacrifice the charming companionship of one of the most attractive of animals. Any trifling inconvenience it may cause may well be borne for the sake of a good and wholesome sentiment. A community without the protection and companionship of dogs is deprived of a softening and even civilizing influence. The increased attention to the breeding of dogs in this country is of service to the people at large. We are getting rid of curs, and we are cultivating the finer sentiments of both

children and adults. If all dogs were to be banished to the country districts, New York would lose one of its present very great attractions in the presence of the selected members of the dog family. It will be a long day before a public official in London will undertake to advocate the banishment of dogs. There is perhaps no city in the world where they are so highly esteemed and so well cared for by all classes as in that great city; and I have never heard that the sidewalks were made offensive by their presence either there or here. I do not imagine that the Mayor or aldermen will give any very serious heed to Mr. Waring's jeremiad on dogs in cities. I simply write as one citizen to whom life thus far has owed much real enjoyment to the presence of dogs as members of the family, both in town and country. I trust that no legislature will ever conceive that the slight inconvenience which they cause in cities demands their banishment. Let us cherish everything in our life which tends to make us more kind, more considerate, more watchful to relieve suffering. One of the greatest of these seems to me to be the care and companionship of dumb animals, of which the dog is the most faithful, the most affectionate, and the most intelligent. No, Colonel Waring, we will not banish them!

(Signed) D. B. ST. JOHN ROOSA.

CUVIER observed that all animals that readily enter into domestication consider man as a member of their own society, and thus fulfil their instinct of association. The probable view of the fox terrier or the Dachshund which lies upon our hearth-rug, therefore, is that he is one of a pack, the other members of which are the human inhabitants of the house. When we consider that our own conceptions of Deity lead us to the general idea of an enormously powerful and omniscient *Man*, who loves, hates, desires, rewards and punishes, in humanlike fashion, it involves no strain of imagination to conceive that, from the dog's point of view, his master is an elongated and abnormally cunning dog, of different shape and manners certainly to the common run of dogs, yet canine in his essential nature. Few dogs when gnawing a bone will allow even their masters to approach without showing signs of displeasure and a fear of being dispossessed of their property, only consistent with the idea that the bipedal "dog" wants to gnaw the bone himself.—*Contemporary Review*.

Hastings on Hudson

Jan 10 1897

Mr Shong

Dear Sir —

I want to ask your
advice about a Friend
that got put on Ward's
Hood and is not
insane at all —
how ~~can~~ I get her
out? I have been to
see her and she is
just the same dear
Woman as I always
knew her, I wrote to
the Doctor but he wrote
she could not be dismissed
yet as she was irritable at
times and depressed and
delusionel but he is noistaken
about delusion for a Woman
to whom she was kind and
gave money it seems

acted very mean to her
got her put in Bellevue
when she was sick, she was
a woman with whom she
boarded by the way —
and testified against
her, so she got sent to that
place, now she has all her
things and bank books, and
wishes to get a hold of things
that my friend has in
storage (you know truth
is stranger than fiction
sometimes) this is what the
Dr. calls delusion, they admit
that she is harmless, then
why need she be confined?
and a burden to the
Country? when she is well
able to take care of herself?

I offered the Dr. to let
her come to me and
stay as long as she likes
or if her nerves are shaken
till she is strong enough
to follow her vocation
but it is a mistake to let
her stay there among those poor
demented beings, and she
loves me dearly and would
like to come, so will
you advise me how I
can get her for you
know the law and
I do not, and I don't
want everybody to know
that she even was in
that place, if it can be
helped, yours truly
Mrs. Robert English
Hastingson Hudson

Jan. 11, 1897.

City Mayor of New York.

Dear City Father

I am a boy of 11 years old I live with my Father, Mother and younger sister and brother at 34 Attorney St. on the 4 floor New York.

My Father Sam Sater is a Violin Player by trade, and makes just enough to support the family he plays in a Academy of Dancing 3 times a week and other jobs he also understand Piano Playing but not very good. he taught me piana and now he stopped because he has no knowledge enough to teach me further I asked a good Teacher how much he wants for a lesson he said 1 dollar and I must take not less than 2 lessons a week and my father is not able to pay for my lessons so the Dancing Teacher said to my father he will allow me to play with my Father together twice a week from 8 P. M. till 10 P. M. and will pay my Father two dollars

for it he should be able to pay for
my Teaching Piano because he likes
me very good.

I also attend the school No. 20 and I
am a good boy. you can see from
my Teachers certificate but the
Dancing Teacher is afraid I am too
young and he advised me to write
a letter to you and you will help
me. you will give ^{me} your good hearted
~~per~~ permission.

Dear City Mayor and Father please
answer me if you will grant
me that favor or put me in a
conservatory of music without
paying for it. and I will be glad,
I hope you will not refuse.

I remain your
little servant

Max Sater
34 Attorney St. N. Y.

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N. Y. City, Jan. 11th, 1897.

To Mayor Strong

Honorable Dear Sir:

Allow me the privilege to address you in as few words as possible this letter, not so much in my cause as of the whole people of our great city. When a girl of about sixteen years of age is kept in a religious institution in our city longer than necessary in order to obtain extra moneys from the same it is about time to speak up. The matter is certainly of great interest to the taxpayers of whom my father is a heavy one, considering that there can be hundreds of such cases continually in existence. I think the following case is in line for investigation, keeping in mind the fact I voted for you on the platform that bespoke reform.

My mother-in-law is Mrs. M. Miller of #427 E. 83rd St. Her daughter G. Miller was sent to the Catholic Protectory a year ago last August, by Recorder Goff, who said it would not be for long, probably just for a year to simply punish the girl for having got in bad companionship. A few other girls used her as an accomplice to take home some small articles that they would shoplift. The girl had a large

acquaintance & the mother thought she got some as presents. There was never before any trouble in the family to warrant going to court about it.

To-day I was to the office of the Catholic Protector & got no satisfaction, beyond the fact elicited that the girl must stay two years in the institution, although my mother-in-law got word from a sister there that she should see about the matter at the office #415 Broome St. They told me there that "Doff has nothing to do with it," when I mentioned the fact of the girl having been sent ~~there~~ away for no more than a year; "nothing to do with it," if the mother is perfectly able to take care of the child, and I have an honorable position & would keep her awhile if it become a necessity. The girl, so I understand is paying her way, in reality with the work she does daily at the institution.

Leaving the above matter for your due consideration, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Robert E. A. Landauer

Taylor St., Near West Farms,
Van Nest, City,

*Court of General Sessions of the Peace.
City & County of New York.
Clerk's Office.*

January 18th.

1897.

Hon. William L. Strong.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Recorder, I beg leave to reply to your letter with the enclosure of Mr. Robt. E. A. Landauer, relating to the case of one Gussie Miller, at present confined in the Catholic Protectory.

The Recorder has no personal recollection of the matter. The record shows that Gussie Miller, aged 14, was, on the 5th day of August, 1895, on her plea of guilty convicted of Petit Larceny. She being a minor and in religion a Catholic, the Recorder, as he was by law required to do, sent her to an institution under the care or charge of that religion, to wit, the Catholic Protectory, and it is under that commitment and the law applicable to the case that the young girl was committed to that institution.

Yours very respectfully,

John T. Carroll
Clerk of Court.

(Enclosure.)

61 East 9th. St.,
January 12th. 1897.

Dear Sir:-

Parts one and two of "Financial New York" are sent you on approval for examination. The prospectus will be found on pages three and four of the cover, and a brief outline of the work in the introduction. The portrait of yourself, which you have so kindly furnished for this work, will appear in its proper place in the history of the institution with which you are identified. A careful inspection of the parts sent you is invited. Should you desire to become a subscriber, a blank is inclosed for that purpose.

Yours truly,



Hon. W. L. Strong Esq.
12 West 57 St., City.



Office of the City Clerk.

ROOM 4 CITY AND COUNTY HALL,

MARK S. HUBBELL,
City Clerk.

CHAS. F. SUSDORF,
Deputy City Clerk.

Buffalo, N. Y. 1/12/ 1897,

Mayor,
New York City,
Dear Sir:-

Will you please favor me, by return mail, as per stamped envelope attached, with the name of the Mayor and Clerk of your city for 1897, to be used in an official publication about to be issued, and greatly oblige,

Respectfully yours,

Mark S. Hubbell
City Clerk.

SENATE.
CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE.

SAMUEL BRAUNHART,
SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

Sacramento, Jan. 13th 1897.
To the Mayor of the City of New York.
Dear Sir: - I have introduced in the
Senate of the State of California a bill
reducing street car fares to 25¢ per fare
between the hours of 6 and 8 A.M. and
5 and 9 P.M. I would esteem it a
favor if you would give me some data
as to the operation of a similar
law or ordinance in the City of New York,
if successful or otherwise. Or if the
rule as applied to street railroads is a
concession to the laboring classes by the
companies themselves.

Any information upon the subject
would be gratefully acknowledged.

Very Truly Yours
Saml Braunhart.

DR. EDW. J. TUCKER, Pres.
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PROGRESS
REPUBLICAN CLUB,

— OF THE —

35th ASSEMBLY DISTRICT.

NEW YORK, *Jan 13*³ 1897

Hon. *Wm L. Strong*
City

My dear Sir!

*I am closing my books from
last year and respectfully ask you
to send me your check for dues
from Nov 1. 96 to Jan 1. 97 or,
if you prefer to do so again
your check a \$ 6⁰⁰ for the
whole year in advance.*

Very truly

Yours *F. von Beesten*

Treasurer

*617 East 148
Street*

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SECRETARY,
77 BROAD STREET.

CHAS. H. STOUT,
TREASURER,
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The Armenian Relief Association,

Office: Mail and Express Building.

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HERANT MESROB KIRETOHJIAN,
GENERAL SECRETARY,
203 BROADWAY.

New York, Jan. 13, 1897.

Dear Sir:-

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Armenian Relief Association will be held on Saturday evening (the 16th inst.) at 8 o'clock, at my house (56 West 9th St.) to discuss the question whether, in view of the fact that those interested in Armenia have long recognized that any permanent improvement in the condition of that unhappy country was largely dependent upon the existence of a strong and permanent friendship between England and America, a movement should not be started by us, probably as individuals, towards securing an expression of public opinion in favor of the adoption of the arbitration treaty now pending before the Senate in Washington.

Several friends of the Cuban cause have also been invited to attend and co-operate, in case any action shall be decided upon, as it is felt that the two causes are in fact identical, as interference on our part to stop the dreadful condition of affairs in Cuba is certainly impossible, in view of the European jealousy of the extension of our power, without at least the hearty approval of Great Britain.

The Armenian Relief Association,
NEW YORK CITY.

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Hoping that you may be able to be present, or at least that
you will favor us with your opinion on the subject, I remain,

Very truly yours,

J. Bleeker Miller, Jr.

Chairman,

Armenian Relief Association.

Hon. W. L. Strong.

PLATFORM.

1. The most direct taxation is the best, because it gives to the real payers of taxes a conscious and direct pecuniary interest in honest and economical government.

2. Mortgages and capital engaged in production or trade should be exempt from taxation; because taxes on capital tend to drive it away, to put a premium on dishonesty and to discourage industry.

3. Real estate should bear the main burden of taxation; because such taxes can be most easily, cheaply and certainly collected, and because they bear least heavily on the farmer and the worker.

4. Besides real estate taxes, corporations should pay in taxes only the fair value of the franchises they obtain from the people.

5. No legislature will venture to enact a good system of local taxation until the people, especially the farmers, perceive the correct principles of taxation and see the folly of taxing personal property.

THEREFORE: We desire to unite our efforts to keep up intelligent discussion and agitation of the subject of taxation, with a view to improvement in the system and enlightenment as to the correct principles.

NEW YORK TAX REFORM ASSOCIATION.

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January 14, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

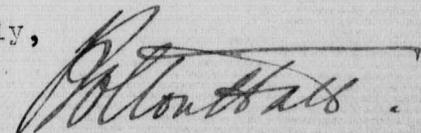
Office of the Mayor,

New York City.

My dear Sir:-

You have already expressed your approval of the platform of this Association. If you can give us a word at present, it will be particularly helpful in two ways; first, because there is some disposition to cavil at the reform administration on account of the increased tax rate, whereas although reform may increase the rate of taxation, it increases at the same time, the value of the real estate; and second, because our hearing before the Charter Commission is to be on the 15th. *we wish to influence them*

Yours respectfully,



Thos. Wilkerson,
Chief.

Office of CHIEF ENGINEER

Fire Department . . .

Cor. Main and Harwood Sts.

Dallas, Texas. 1897.

How Mayor Strong,

Dear Sir:--

It has been proposed that the Firemen of the United States undertake to raise through their own contributions, and those of their friends whom they can interest, the necessary amount to equip the Buckner Orphans Home (seven miles from Dallas on Texas and Pacific Railroad) with proper Fire Appliances to prevent a repetition of the holocaust of January 15th, 1897.

I would thank you to show this to the men in your employ and ask them for such contributions as each can afford, to protect these orphans.

I would also ask that you interest each member in your employ in securing the names and contributions of all the friends they can influence. (For, if every employee will induce a few friends to contribute ten or twenty-five cents each, our object will be accomplished.)

Please make remittances to my order, and when contributions are closed they will be audited by the City Auditor and Fire Committee of the Dallas City Council and all interested receive their report.

Soliciting your cordial co-operation and assistance, I am,

Yours truly,

Thos. Wilkerson

Chief Fire Department.

Excelsance

N. Y. 26. Dec. 96.

In reference to the Bryant Park Reservoir
which at present is being proposed, for the site of
a public Library, the artist P. W. M. begs the
favor of Your Excellency, to call Your attention
to a plan, which is included in this letter, the artist
would like to submit for consideration.

Said plans then represent, the exterior view of
the reservoir, transformed into an Egyptian Thro-
zoo Garden, erected on the summit of said reservoir.
Said Garden, will be a continuation of the sum-
mit, of architecture, decorated with, Egyptian
Colonnades, figures and ornaments, to form the en-
closure of said Gardens, surmounted with roof
as the designs then represent.

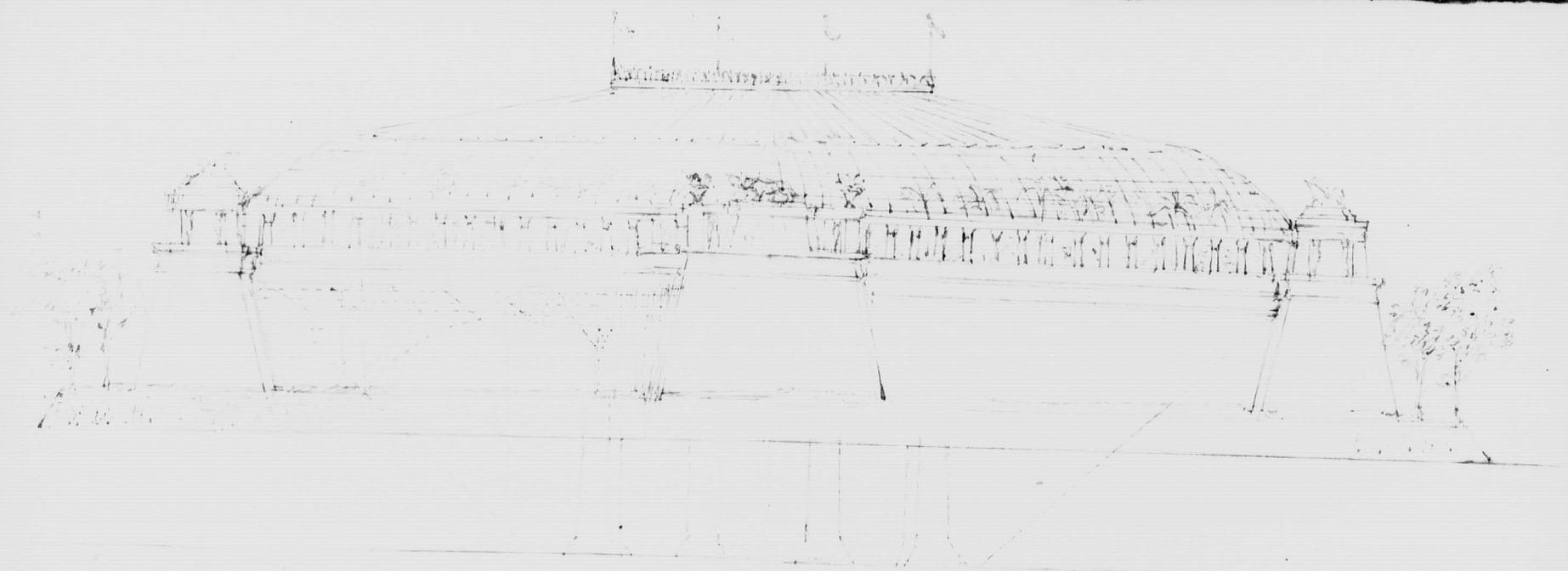
The inventor idea is that said Garden, should
be a public resort for winter as well for
the summer, to contain selection of Tropical pla-
nts, Palm tree ferns orchids, and flowers of every
kind and description.

This Garden, and its interior structure, will also

contain, Egyptian Palaces, Fountains, music pavilion
and Egyptian Theatres, to correctly accomplish the
most complete publique amusement, that ever could
be appropriate, for the City as well for the Country.
The inventor will also produce, descriptive,
plans for its construction, as well detailed, drawings
for the all concerned, to be submitte to Your
Excellence, as well to other party.

Confident, and assured, that the favor of Your
Excellence, would, testify in bealf of said plans
we return the most sincere thanks, as ever
remains Your most

Respectfull.
P. A. M. Artist
General, Post Office, Robert



Exhibition Building

Wm Mayor

Strong

N. Y. 5. Ge. 99.

Excellence

The kind favor of Your
Excellence, in answer to the
letter, date 26, as being properly
received.

The underscriber, much regretting
the mistake in said letter, and
within Your permission, will
soon present to Your Excellen-
ce some designs, and descriptive
plans, in regard to the Egyptian
Garden.

Said plans they relate to the in-
terior designs, and construction of
said Garden, and are the most
ingenious, ingenious work of our
kind. I hope that Your Excel-
lence will be pleased, of said
work, believe to remain, Yours.

Most Respectfull, S. A. M. Robert

Max Strong.

Excelsance.

N. Y. G. 1599.

The underscriber in reference to the Egyptian Garden, thus notifies Your Excelsance, that he as twice call to see You, but unfortunately did not have the oportunitie, nor the favor to be, personally and private admitted at Your acquainted.

If any thing on the referd matter will be taken in consideration, as Your Excelsance will permite, and any time could be spare, will call again, or other, send the same by mail, believe me to remain Your very most

Respectfull.

P. A. M. Robert.

Artist.

Magistrat

hiesiger Königlichen Haupt- und Residenzstadt.

Berlin C., den 15. Januar 1897.

folgt per Druckerei

In der Anlage beehren wir uns ein Exemplar des in unserer Auflage von dem Director des statistischen Amtes herausgegebenen statistischen Jahrbuches der Stadt Berlin - Jahrgang XXI, die Statistik des Jahres 1894 betreffend - ganz ergebenst zu übersenden.

Magistrat
hiesiger Königlichen Haupt- und Residenzstadt.

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LAW OFFICES,
GARRET A. HOBART,
PATERSON, N.J.
SAVINGS INSTITUTION BUILDING.

January 16 1897.

Dr. E. Lucotte,

#149 W. 25th, St., New York City, N.Y.

My dear Sir:

I have received your letter of the 15th, inst., enclosing application to the Mayor of New York, which you wish me to endorse. I have not endorsed any applications, even for New Jersey applicants, nor will I endorse any, for some time to come, at least. You may, however, in forwarding your application to the Mayor, refer to me, and if he is interested enough to communicate with me, I will tell him what I know of you, and assist you in that way all I can.

Yours very truly,

Garret A. Hobart

Three enclosures.

WANT THE SIDEWALKS.

Vesey Street Storekeepers Object to Their Dispossession by the Courts.

A delegation of Vesey street storekeepers asked Mayor Strong yesterday if he would sanction a bill exempting from the law governing sidewalk obstructions the streets leading to the public markets. A property owner of Vesey street recently obtained a mandamus from the Supreme Court compelling Superintendent Henkel of the Bureau of Incumbrances to keep that thoroughfare free from obstructions, and he was threatened with arrest if he did not obey the order of the Court. The Mayor was also served with a copy of the order, and as a result the Bureau of Incumbrances has been making it lively for the standkeepers of Vesey street who display their wares on the sidewalk. When the delegation appealed to the Mayor yesterday their spokesman, Lawyer Charles Blandy, said that the action of the Supreme Court had caused great inconvenience to his clients and he thought they were entitled to relief.

Mayor Strong said that the storekeepers of Vesey street should do as the dry goods merchants are doing, and take their goods off the sidewalk. Show windows were the proper place, he said, to display goods. He declared, however, that he was satisfied that there was some justice in the claim that Vesey street and other similar thoroughfares should be exempt from the usual regulations. He said he would favor a bill to exempt them if it contained a clause abolishing the stands around the public markets.

Wanted—Females.

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New York Jan 16th 97
Wm. W. L. Strong
Mayor of the City of N.Y.

Dear Sir:
Noticing the enclosed in
this morning's paper, and
fearing that you are inclined
to favor an alteration in the
present law regarding street
obstructions, I beg leave as
a citizen, to present my earnest
protest against your so doing.

A law permitting the store
keepers of Vesey St to obstruct
the walks, would soon be followed
by applications from other streets
and other merchants, and such
applications could not be, in
equity refused. Let in the en-
tering wedge, and soon you will
have the law disregarded by
every one who desires to abuse

the rights of the general public
No proof of this let me call
your attention, to what you could
not have failed to observe last
spring and summer, I mean the
violation of the law regarding
the use of coal chutes.

All over the city, and particularly
in the great thoroughfares, the
tenants of saloons, barber shops
laundries, on the avenues, and
the big hotels, and apartment
houses, lifted the covers off the
chutes, put skeleton towers in the
holes in the walk, and kept them
in that condition till cold weather
set in. I have counted twenty
two such obstructions on Sixth
Ave. between 33rd St. and 14th St.
during a morning's walk.

It is, and was, the duty of the
police to cause their removal
but patrolmen, roundsmen

and Sergeants, presided and refused
these obstructions, many times
a day, and did - nothing, except
let them stay there.

This abuse, and violation of
law, grew, because one violator
saw nothing happened to his
neighbors who had started in
before him, and he persisting,
brought in others, who will next
year be followed by those who up
to the present time have held the
law in respect.

I believe we are the only
city in the world, where property
owners are allowed to excavate
under the sidewalks, and place
boilers, and dynamos under
pedestrians to their constant
annoyance, and danger.

What is wanted is more
restriction, not more license
and I hope that after full

and mature consideration
you will find it to be conducive
to the best interests of all the
citizens, to use your influence
against such a law as proposed
by Mr Plundy, and to enforce
the existing law to its extreme
limit

Yours truly
A. B. Smith
1485 Broadway

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OFFICES OF

ERNEST HARVIER,

Gilsey Building.

1193 Broadway,

Between Twenty-Eighth and Twenty-Ninth Streets.

REAL ESTATE
BONDS AND 1ST MORTGAGES
ON NEW YORK CITY PROPERTY ONLY.

MAKE ALL CHECKS
PAYABLE AS ABOVE.

New York, Jan. 16, 1897

Dear Colonel Strong:-

I have been much amused
by the within picture from to-night's Evening
Telegram. I expect to call to see you at the
City Hall on Monday in reference to a matter
connected with Park Avenue Improvement.

Yours faithfully,

Ernest Harvier



A "Cop."

THE GEORGE JUNIOR REPUBLIC ASSOCIATION

OF NEW YORK CITY.

Republic located at FREEVILLE, Tompkins County, N. Y.

R. MONTGOMERY SCHELL,
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WILLIAM CLIFFORD ORTON,
Secretary and Treasurer,
40 Wall Street.

WILLIAM R. GEORGE,
General Sup't,
Freeville, N. Y.

Jan. 16th, 1897.

My Dear Sir,—There has been formed an Advisory Council of the George Junior Republic. The duties of members are defined: "To represent the Republic and to further its interests in their localities." Joining this will not put one under any obligation to attend any meetings, although there will doubtless be at least one meeting a year of the Advisory Council for such members as may find it convenient or possible to attend. A letter from the others with recommendations will be appreciated, but not necessarily expected.

We appreciate very much your generous gift of \$250 last year, and trust you may do us the further kindness of lending the strength of your name to the wisest philanthropy for rescuing the young toughs of the slums, and making of them good, patriotic citizens.

Very Sincerely Yours,

Honorable William L. Strong

Mayor,
New York City.

Trinity Lodge

Durham N.C.

Jan 17, 1917.

Dear Sir:

I see references to
a report by the city of N.Y.
on Employment Bureaus &
I should like to have a
copy for use for my class
in Social Science.

If you could cause a
copy to be forwarded to me
I should be greatly obliged.

Respect fully

Jerome Dowd

New York
Jan. 18th 47

My dear Mr Strong.

Having from Mr
Abeyah. that you said you would
come to the "Colonial War Dinner"
on the 28th of January. but having
received your regret to the invita-
tion of "Society" for the dinner, which
was sent out recently, to be held
on the same date. I have been

requested by the Stewards of the
"Colonial War Society" to write and say
that the two invitations, the one
from our church and the other
from the Society were for the same
dinner, and that we may have
the pleasure of seeing you there
as we had last year. If however
it is impossible for you to come to
the dinner, could you not get
there later, so as to hear the
Speeches. Hoping to have the
good fortune of seeing you there

believe me.

Very Sincerely Yours ~

Philip Robinson

32 East 39th St

Geo. M. Stratton.

Jan 18th 1907

2715 Golden Gate Ave
San Francisco. Cal

The Major Honorable Sir

I should be glad if you will
please answer the following.

I was informed by a Medical Friend
that some time (a few years) ago a rich Lady
died in or near New York, and in her will
she left a sum of money to build an
Hospital in New York, also \$10,000
for any person that could extract
Tumors without the use of a Knife
Now if I could ascertain where to write
respecting such conditions, I have an
ointment that will fill the requirements
By giving me the information you will
confer a great benefit on me.

I Am

Yours Sir

Yours Respectfully
G. M. Stratton

New-York, Jan. 18. 1897

Honored Sir! 5-8

It is a well known fact that a sick individual has naturally sympathy with his fellow sufferers. Actuated by the sole desire to see the chief executive of the city, a prominent man and fellow Republican relieved of the most painful malady, I beg to recommend you Prof. H. Glaser a verma massur, who has the most successful record of any man in this particular line of treatment!

He has treated many very prominent people and has testimonials to show, among others he treated Mr. O. H. P. Archer Vice Pres of the Erie R. R. three years ago. — This Guttman well advanced in years, had a similar malady to yours, he sides was paralyzed to such extent, that he had to be carried about, — in 3 months he relieved him of all his pains and to day he is as well as in his younger days. My experience with this mesmer prompts me

to recommend him to your honor:

Four years ago I was laid up with inflammatory rheuma which developed into rheumatic gout, — my physicians predicted, that I never be able to walk without the aid of crutches, — Prof. Glaser cured me in two weeks. — About two months ago I had another attack combined with paralysis of my left shoulder, — twelve massage treatments applied by the masseur

have done wonder, and I am
a well man again. —

Now Your Honor, once
more I beg to impress upon
you that I don't seek notoriety
or reward, — all I wish is to
see you well again. —

If you will submit to
an examination and Prof. Glasser
will pronounce your malady
curable; you may depend upon
that for the rest of your life
you will never be troubled!

Very Truly Yours

G. De Gaulles

144 East 14 Street



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NEW YORK, Jan. 18th, 1897.

Mr. Burroughs,
Mayor's Office,
New York City. N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

The bearer will hand you a catalogue of our sale commencing at Madison Square Garden on next Wednesday and continuing through to Saturday, both days and evenings. He will also hand you a copy of the Tribune and Times, in which you will find our advertisement.

You will oblige us very much indeed if you will send us by him a permit to conduct the sales during the evening of Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 20, 21, 22 and 23.

Your prompt attention will greatly oblige

Yours very truly,

Wm. B. Fasig & Co.

Hope Jan 15th 1897

Mr. Mayor Dear Sir I here drop
you a few lines asking you to
favor me in a lauded Vest in your
city. here hand you a clipping from a
newspaper. In arranging the Metropolitan
block system of New York, old maps & surveys
were consulted, & the astonishing discovery
was made that many plots south of Canal
Street are not located in this section lies the
most valuable real estate on the American
continent, yet it has never been completely
mapped or surveyed. Untill such a survey is made
the block system can not be extended south of
Canal Street, & the old ward lines must be here
followed in the tax maps. These maps show that
in the hart of the Wall Street section where land is
worth so much money are 3 small parcels which can
not be taxed and taxed simply because no owner has
ever appeared to claim the property worth all the way
from \$100 to \$200 a square foot

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Further I am the oldest heir in this estate, am now 83 years of age have known that there was an estate in the city since us & I am trying to look it up if you will be kind enough to give me your best information I think I can pay you for your trouble, I have one brother & sister living

P. O. Hope Bartholomew Co
Ind
Abraham Lawrence

Theodore A. Kohn & Sons,
56 West 23rd St.
New York.

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Jan 19. 1897

To the Honorable William L. Strong
Mayor.

My Dear Sir

To one of the Inspectors of Common Schools for the 25th district, I desire to protest most strongly against the recent action of the Committee on Sites in selecting a Plot in West 90th St for a new Public School in the district: All the Inspectors are opposed to this site, & have so officially stated on the ground that no new school is needed 500 feet from C.S. no 93 at 93rd St: The Inspectors after careful & thorough investigation were convinced, that two new schools were needed at once - One

in the vicinity of West 100th St &
one in the vicinity of West 108th St.
The one site selected in 101st St
is entirely satisfactory to the Inspe-
ctors, as it was of course not a matter
of any one particular plot, but one
of placing the new Schools where
they will be needed:

The Committee on Schools of
Good Gov't Club B. agrees with the
Inspectors in their demand for
a new School in the northerly
part of the district, because
it is being rapidly built up with
cheap flats etc & the School at
104th St has now about 750 more
children (approximately) than it
should have, through the half day
Class System & overcrowding:

Yours Truly
Robert W. Kohn

CONSULADO GENERAL DE ESPAÑA,
EN
NUEVA YORK.

19. Jan. 1897.

Hon. Major Strong.

Dear Sir.

I have the pleasure to introduce you Mr. Antonio Martinez, Spanish professional dancer, who requested your special permission if wanted for her daughter Conchita, to dance in public theaters.

There are been with His Henry's New Minstrels Co. through all the U. S.

As their profession is the only means of living they have, is very important for them, to get the permission, if wanted.

The father is always with his little daughter, and he is ready to submit her to any proof whatever to demonstrate the exercise is not detrimental to her health.

Very respectfully A. Baldasano

INCORPORATED 1857.

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NEW YORK, January 19th 1897.

To His Honor William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

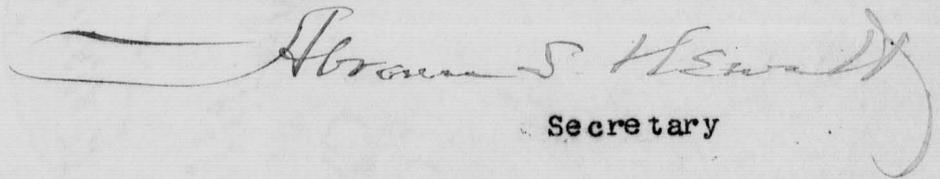
Sir:-

As required by the Charter of the Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art, I have the honor to transmit herewith the Annual Report of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Corporation for the calendar year eighteen hundred and ninety-six (1896) and to request that you will cause the same to be laid before the Common Council at its next meeting.

I have the honor to remain,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,


Secretary

HOSPITAL SHAKE-UP PROPOSED.

Mayor Strong Says Certain Rules Must Be Changed, Especially in Bellevue.

Mayor Strong said to-day that there would shortly be a hospital shakeup, the hospital particularly mentioned being Bellevue. The Mayor made the statement to two women who visited him in company with President Roosevelt of the Police Board.

Mayor Strong told his visitors that while he had no doubt that the individual members of the Bellevue staff might be efficient, certain rules in the hospital must be changed and better rules and regulations adopted. The idea of the Mayor is thoroughly to reorganize the various city hospitals. This means that many of the old physicians will have to go, others will be transferred and a few retained.

It is understood that the shake-up will be a general one, for the greater efficiency of the service, and will do away with many old practices that have gained a foothold in the hospitals.

Details of the shake-up are not yet completed.

CHAY'S VISIT TO CANTON

55 WEST THIRTY-SIXTH STREET,

TELEPHONE CONNECTION.

NEW YORK.

Jan 19th 97

Dear Mr Watson

If there is any truth in the rumor that such is soon to be another hospital (Shake up) Would you not kindly use your influence with the Mayor to have me transferred from the City Hospital where I have served for nearly five years to Bellevue which is much better equipped & is more accessible. I am

Very sincerely yrs

J. H. Meggin



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SECRETARY AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

NEW YORK, *July 20* 189*7*

Mr. Wm. L. Strong
Dear Sir

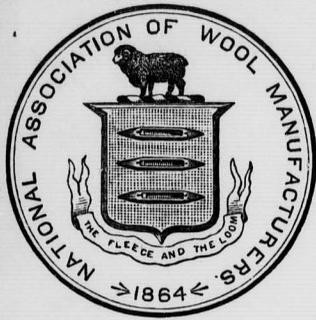
I received the
enclosed by mail to-day, and
send it to you as an
application for consideration.

I believe Dr. Wiggins'
service has been mentioned,
and self sacrificing.
I am told that
1 He has spent his own money
for medicine and material, and

worked hard to reform the abuses,
and alleviate the conditions
under the Taumany régime.

If these are the facts,
it would seem that his
application should merit
consideration, Dr. Wiggins
is a member of the Union
League Club, and a gentleman
whom I have always found
trustworthy and zealous in good
work.

Yours sincerely
L. M. Wilson



National Association of Wool Manufacturers.

OFFICE, 70 KILBY STREET.

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Boston, Mass., *Jan 25* 1897

Hon William L Strong
Mayor's Office

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My Dear Sir

The manufacturers present at our annual dinner were so greatly pleased with your speech that it has been overwhelmed with demands for its publication in full in our next Bulletin. By some accident the stenographer we had engaged failed to put in an appearance. If therefore we are to publish your speech, as we certainly ought to do, I shall have to ask

you to sit down with your stenographer
and dictate it, on such portions
of it as may recur to you.
What you said was so admirable
in tone and so conservative
in character that its publication
will be of real service, and I
greatly hope you may be able
to reproduce it.

Yours Respectfully

A. D. Ford
Secy

Jan 20th, 1897.

To the Hon.

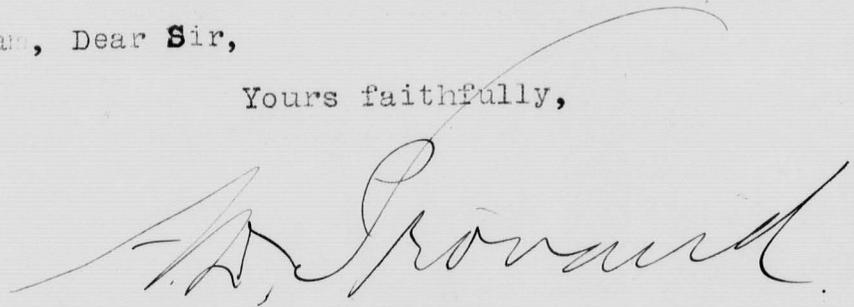
The Mayor of New York.

Dear Sir,

There is at present a Royal Commission taking evidence in reference to our Licensing Laws and Regulations and I should much like if you would kindly forward to me any printed Reports or Statements you may have as to how Licensing for the sale of Intoxicants is controlled and managed in your City stating with whom the power rests for issuing Licenses and renewing and cancelling the same.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "A. Provant". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed text "Yours faithfully,".

Mayor Strong,
City Hall
N. Y. City

Dear Sir -

Will you give me
an interview relative to
personal interest, and al-
though a stranger in
New York, I apply to you
for assistance and
advice.

If agreeable please

state what time con-
venient to call.

Yours respectfully

Miss H. G. Valentine

32 Springville Ave

N. Y. City

January 14/94

Mayor Strong,

New York City

Dear Sir-

Replying to
your favor will call
at your office at two
o'clock on Wednesday.

It will be grateful if
you will give me a private
interview.

Respectfully,

Fariett L. Valentine
32 Morningside Ave
New York City

January 18, 1894.

Mayor Strong
New-York City

Dear Sir

Not knowing
when convenient to call
I will explain by letter
my reason for requesting
an interview.

I wish to obtain your
assistance if possible
to enable me to go to
California, my former home
I have recently been

left alone, to rely upon
myself for support.

I possess talent, but
have not the necessary
means of improving it;
being a stranger in
New York, I find it
difficult to progress
alone - I wish to go to
my former home, where
I have a few distant
relatives and acquaint-
ances - but my penitan-
ce is small and does
not permit me to

travel.

If you will assist me
I will be very grateful.

Respectfully Yrs.

Harriet L. Valentine

32 Morningside Ave.,
N. Y. City.

January 21, 1897

COPY.

15 BROAD STREET,
NEW YORK.

January 18, 1897.

Dear Sir:-

I received the letter you sent from Mr. Rossiter about printing the proposed memorial of the Sound Money Parade of October 31, 1896. This has my most cordial approval, and I will do anything I can to forward the movement. So that the matter may be understood, I will say that the whole matter was organized by the Business Mens' Sound Money Association, see letterhead enclosed, of which Mayor Strong was the Chairman and Mr. Drake, Secretary. They were particularly careful to retain control of everything connected with the business part of the undertaking, and I confined my efforts entirely to organizing the delegations they sent to me and forming and marching them. Mr. Drake has for years been the real Manager of the Association, and I think I would make application to him. I will endorse it up to the handle. Mayor Strong being the Chairman, would be the most potent man in securing action.

It seems to me everyone ought to appreciate such an enterprise, as it would interest all.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) HORACE PORTER.

New-York  Tribune.

New York,

Jan. 21. 1897.

His Honor

Mayor William L. Strong.
City Hall.

Dear Sir:

I commend the letter
of Mr. Rositer enclosed
which I refer to you in
full explanation of what
he wants, and will say,
for my own part, that
I would personally be
greatly pleased, if you

65 Howa should see the way
clear to commend the
enterprise the N.Y. Printing
Co. has in view. I can
see no embarrassment to
you Howa in so doing,
and your brief commendation
would be of great service
to two young men, of the
most irreproachable personal
character, both strong
Republicans, and every way
worthy of encouragement.

Yours respectfully
Henry Hall

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14 LAFAYETTE PLACE

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NEW YORK, January 21st, 1897.

Henry Hall, Esq.,

The Tribune, City.

Dear Mr. Hall:-

This office is preparing to issue a very beautiful souvenir of the great sound money parade. It will include a graphic and detailed account of that great event by some very prominent writer, yet to be selected. It will be profusely illustrated from photographs taken of the parade at various points, and also of the prominent officers and well known leaders in the event, including, of course, Mayor Strong and General Porter. The book will also include pictures and sketches of Messrs. McKinley and Hobart, the governor and lieutenant-governor, and many pictures of Washington and New York, making it altogether a very beautiful and high grade volume, with nothing cheap or improper about it. General Porter has written a very hearty letter commending the plan, of which I hand you a copy herewith. He has suggested obtaining a letter from Mayor Strong and Mr. Drake. Some one from this office will see Mr. Drake at once, but I write asking if you cannot secure a letter from his Honor, the Mayor, as doubtless you are acquainted with him.

Of course, the object of issuing the book is to obtain a moderate return on the investment, and if the return should be especially good, I think that this office would be entirely willing to make a ~~permanent~~ contribution toward the permanency of the Business Mens Sound Money

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Association. At any rate, Mayor Strong can easily be assured of the reputability and entire good faith of this concern. Will you not give this matter immediate attention, as we are about to proceed with the work.

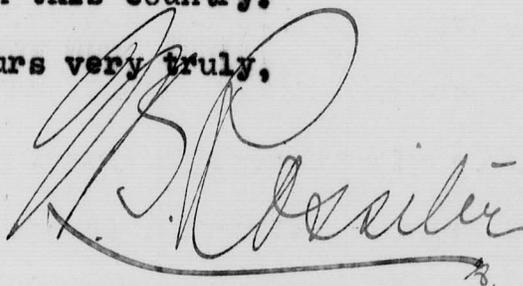
If his Honor would like to see a sample page of the book, I would be glad to send it down in the morning. This, however, I trust will not interfere with obtaining the letter.

We merely require a hearty commendation of any effort to perpetuate the memory of the greatest event in the way of demonstrations that has ever occurred in this country.

Yours very truly,

Dictated.

Enclosure.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. S. Rossiter", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Toledo Ohio

Jan'y. 21/97

His Honor

Mayor Strong -
New York City.

- Sir

Please excuse the liberty I take in writing this letter to you, but hearing of your great liberality and hoping you could give me a little information, I made bold to do so, I received a letter from Boston about a year ago, telling me that a large Estate in New York City was in litigation, and awaiting Claimants or

heirs, the Estate was worth several millions of dollars and was called the "Edwards" Estate.

I have never been able to hear any thing further about it, and I thought I would ask you if you could give me any information or tell me who I should write to in New York who could give me any information in relation to the "Edwards" estate so called

Hoping you will pardon my addressing you

I am

Yours, Respectfully

Thos. J. Edwards

address

1601 Collingwood Ave.

Toledo Ohio.

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The Real Estate Board of Brokers

OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,

NOS. 59 AND 61 LIBERTY STREET,

Telephone, 304 Cortlandt.

New York, January 21, 1897.

Dear Sir:—

The Constitution of the Real Estate Board of Brokers of the City of New York provides that "any person who is a Real Estate Broker or Agent doing business in an office on commission in his own name or as a member of a firm shall be eligible for admission to this association." The Board has now been organized about twelve months and the rooms at No. 59 Liberty Street have been opened and used by the members since April last. The facilities for business are being constantly added to and it is the intention to have as soon as possible a complete plant of all that is considered necessary in a well equipped Real Estate Broker's office.

CALLS of WANTS and OFFERS are held every Tuesday at 2.00 P.M. These calls have already been productive of profit to the members. The mere fact of the members meeting in this way once every week on common ground is certain to be of mutual benefit. In probably twenty per cent. of all the sales of Real Estate made in this City there are two or more brokers interested, and very many would never be made but for the fact that two men of influence and experience in such transactions were interested in putting the business through. There will surely be more business and consequently more profit if the active brokers will join the Real Estate Board of Brokers, and attend the weekly calls. We consider this matter the most important feature of the Board, and the one most certain to be of financial benefit to the members.

OWNERSHIPS. The Board has arranged to keep on file for the use of members a list of owners of property. In cases where owners names are not

in its possession, arrangements have been made with the Lawyers Title Insurance Co., to obtain them within two hours. For names obtained in this way a nominal charge will be made. Members desiring owners' names can telephone to the Manager of the Board, who will telephone reply at once, or if necessary to obtain them from the Title Co., will telephone names wanted within two hours. As time is frequently an important element, the advantages of this system can be readily appreciated.

MAPS AND ATLASES. It is proposed to have for the use of members a complete plant of these most necessary adjuncts to a Real Estate Office.

TELEPHONE. The telephone in the Board room is for the free use of the members, thus enabling up-town brokers to keep in constant communication with their offices.

APPOINTMENTS may be made by members to meet their clients at the Board Rooms.

LETTER BOXES are provided for members desiring them, so that mail or notes may be addressed there if necessary.

MESSAGES FOR MEMBERS if left with the Manager will be telephoned to members' offices. These and the other facilities for business offered by the Board really amount to the maintenance for each member of another office at a trifling expense. As the membership and income of the Board increases, it is intended to widen its scope and obtain for the members all the advantages that can be had from such an organization. To do this we want every reputable broker and agent in the City to join us and help, not only to increase the profits of our business, but to raise the standard of our profession. Our Board is STRICTLY a Board of Brokers and Agents, and its work is to be devoted to advancing the interest of its members.

MEMBERSHIP. Attention is called to the fact that great care has been and will be exercised to secure as members of the Board only such gentlemen as stand well in the Real Estate community, to the end that membership in the Board will come to be a guarantee of reliability.

We shall be glad to furnish further information if desired and be pleased to have applications for membership presented as soon as possible.

Very respectfully,

THE REAL ESTATE BOARD OF BROKERS
of the City of New York.

Metropolitan Street Railway Company
Cable Building,
621 Broadway.

President's Office,
H. H. Creeland, President.

New York, January 21st, 1897.

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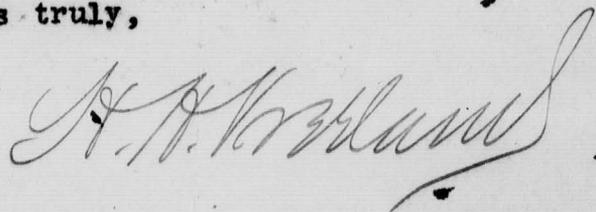
Hon. Job E. Hedges,
Secretary to the Mayor,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Hedges:

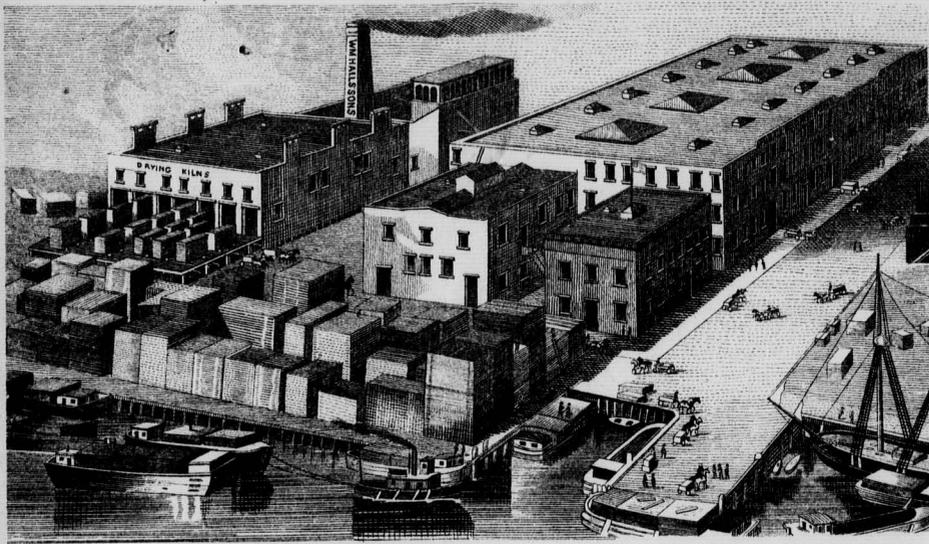
I acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 20th inst., together with enclosures from the City Improvement Society.

I am well satisfied that from the length of time you have occupied your present position, you have gained experience enough of the methods of the Secretary of that Society to make it unnecessary for me to apologize through you to the Mayor for the apparent lack of attention to his letters.

Yours truly,



President.



ELEVATED STATION: 3rd Avenue 106th Street.

T.R.A. HALL.

WM. H. HALL.



FOOT OF 106th STREET EAST RIVER.

New York, July 9th 1897.

To Hon Alderman Parker,
Dear Sir,

We the undersigned respectfully petition you to present to your honorable Board the following.
We ask that Lexington Ave. from 97th St to 100th St be paved for the following reasons. There has been over 600,000 Dollars worth of improvement in new buildings during the last year. When we finished the buildings we dug out the Avenue over a foot deep below the level of the curb, since then it has been filled up with manure, garbage and dirt until it is above the curb and in wet weather runs upon the side walks and the smells and gases are causing alarming complaints from the store keepers and tenants, and is injurious to health and is also a great draw back for renting and selling purposes.

We trust that you will give this your immediate attention and favor.

same pushed through as rapidly
as possible.

We are Respectfully,

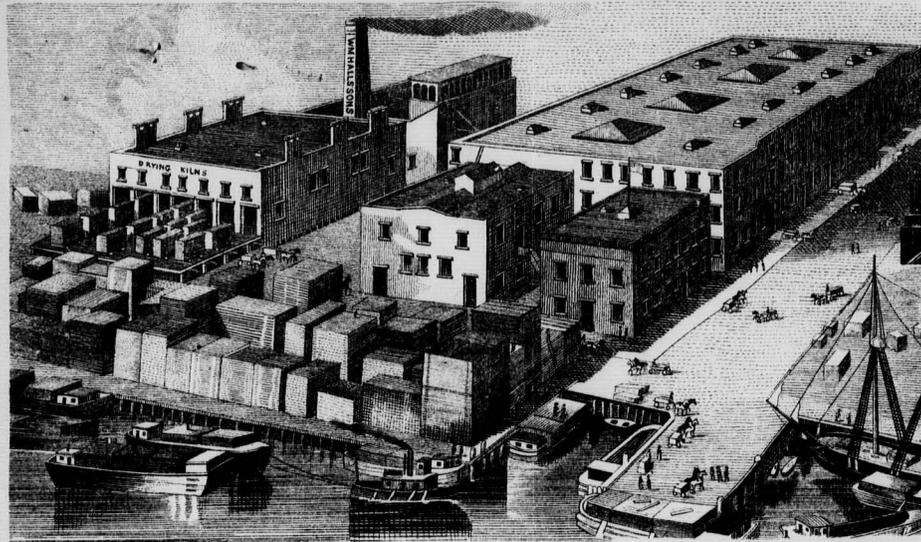
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WM. H. HALL.

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ELEVATED STATION: 3rd Avenue 106th Street.

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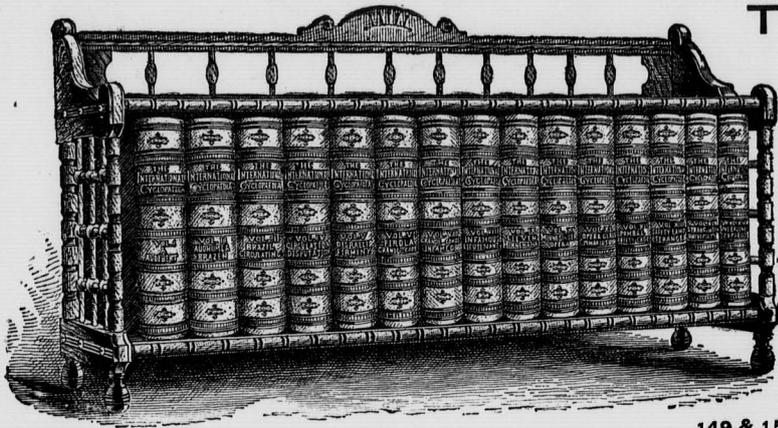
New York, Jan 21. 1897

Hon W. L. Strong
Dear Sir,

A resolution was passed by the Board of Aldermen on the 12th inst and sent to you for approval, providing for the pavement where not already done of the east side of Lexington Ave from 99th to 100th Streets. I beg to state that the block front is entirely built up with fire story apartments houses of which I am the owner and nearly every apartment is occupied.

The space provided for has no pavement of any kind, and in wet weather is very soft and muddy and detrimental to health and cleanliness. Inasmuch as eighty families are affected, and the expense of the improvement will be taxed upon my property, I most respectfully hope you will give the resolution your approval.

Very Truly yours
W. H. Hall



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To His Honor the Mayor of
Fordham, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The editors of THE INTERNATIONAL CYCLOPÆDIA desire to have information about your place, by which they may be assured that it is accurately described in that work.

Knowing that you are interested in the correctness of any statement that may be made on this subject, we venture to ask you to fill out the enclosed blank and return it to us as early as possible. If there is an official or other reliable publication describing your place, will you kindly tell us of it or if possible send it to us, and greatly oblige.

We enclose stamped envelope, and thanking you in advance for the courtesy of a reply, we are,

Truly yours,

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INFORMATION DESIRED CONCERNING

Goodham - A. York.

Is it a City, Town, Village or Borough ?

Is it a County Seat ?

If a Village, or Borough, when incorporated (year) ?

If a City, when chartered (year) ?

Located on or near what Mountain, Lake, River, or Body of Water ?

What Canals or Railroads pass through it ?

Direction and distance in miles from nearest large city

Name Leading Educational Institutions

Name other prominent Institutions, such as Hospitals, Public Library, etc

Name Leading Industries

Other points of interest, such as Parks, Notable Buildings, public or otherwise, Places of Historical or Scenic Interest, Bridges, etc

Has it Horse or Electric Street Railroads ?

How Lighted ?

What Water Supply ?

Has it Banks ?

Newspapers ?

Churches ?

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Jan. 21, 1897,

My dear Sir:-

A vacancy has occurred in the Advisory Board of the St. Paul's Institute of Tarsus, Asia Minor, and the Board of Trustees of the same, at a meeting held October 6th, 1896, made choice of you to fill this vacancy. This Advisory Board will meet Friday evening, January 29th, at the residence of Mr. Wm. J. Schieffelin, No. 35 West 57th St., N.Y. which meeting we cordially invite you to attend.

This meeting will be held exclusively for the discussion of the work of the Institute, which is extremely interesting in this critical period of the Turkish Empire. Your counsel respecting the same, after you have heard the facts to be presented, will be much valued by us. We hope to secure your influence in favor of our work. No solicitation of funds will be made at this or any of the meetings of the Board. The endowment of one hundred thousand dollars left us by the late Mr. Elliot F. Shepard, has supplied to this date the needs of the school. The Institute has no debts. The favor of an answer is requested.

Sincerely yours,

Board of Trustees,

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