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**Public Charities,
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1913, Sept.-Dec.



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FOOT OF EAST 26TH STREET

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September 17, 1913.

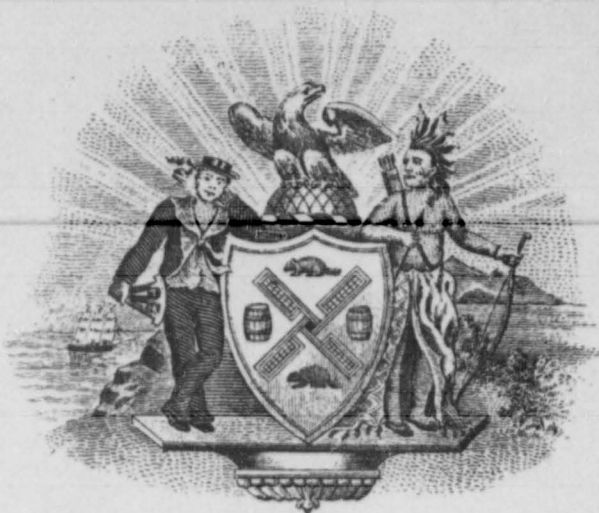
Robert Adamson, Esq.,
Secretary to The Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

Dear Mr. Adamson:

In reply to your letter of September 10th, would say that I have this day requested the Civil Service Commission to certify a list from which I can appoint one "Visitor" at \$1000.00 per annum in the Borough of Manhattan. If Mr. Alderman is No. 1 on the list and he will accept, I will appoint him to this vacancy. Sometime ago Mr. Alderman refused an appointment at \$1000.00.

Very truly yours,

Michael J. Drummond
Commissioner.



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.
327-331 SCHERMERHORN STREET.
BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN AND QUEENS.

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IN ANSWERING REFER TO

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Sept. 24th- 1913.

Mrs. Lillian Seaman,

246 Hancock Street,

Brooklyn, N.Y.

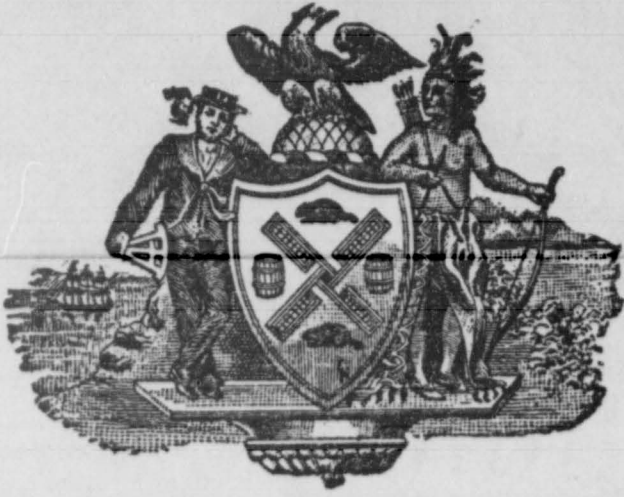
Dear Madam:-

Enclosed herewith you will find permits to visit your children, Madeline and Wanda at American Female Guardian Society & Home for Friendless, 936 Woodycrest Ave., New York City and Lillian at Orphan Asylum Society, Atlantic & Kingston Aves., Brooklyn, N.Y.

Yours truly,

Superintendent,
Children's Bureau

VSD/MDK



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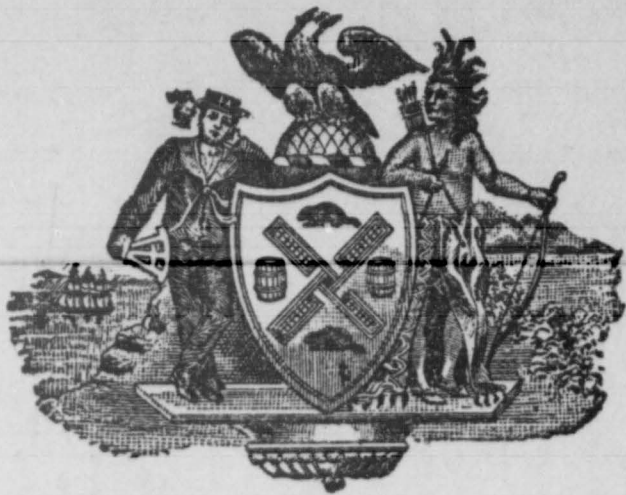
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You are cordially invited to
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by invitation only.

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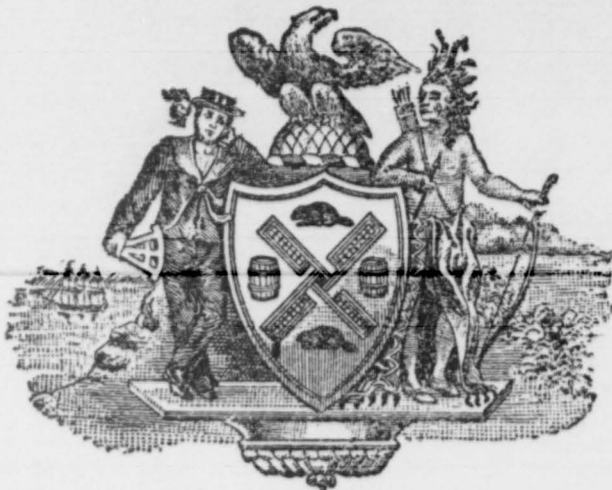
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THE CHILDREN'S BUREAU

October 27th- 1913.

Mrs. Lillian Seaman,
246 Hancock St.,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Madam:-

There is enclosed a receipt for money remitted and an envelope addressed to the Superintendent of this Bureau. The next time you make a remittance wrap the money in this letter and put it in the enclosed envelope; or, you might purchase a money order, payable to Victor S. Dodworth, Superintendent, and send that, as it is the safer way of making remittances.

If you prefer to send money be sure to have the letter registered, and do not drop it in the box, but hand it to the postmaster from whom you buy the stamps, and he will give you a receipt for it. Please write here (\$.....) the amount you send.

If you change your address, write the new address on the bottom of this letter.

Do not forget that when you are unable to pay you must call here and report the reason why, and this you must do at least once each month. Do not call at this office to pay or report later than 3 o'clock P.M. on week days nor after 12 o'clock noon on Saturdays.

Respectfully,

Victor S. Dodworth

Superintendent.



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September 29, 1913.

James Matthews, Esq.,
Executive Secretary,
Office of The Mayor,
City Hall, New York.

Dear Mr. Matthews:

In reply to your letter of September 27th enclosing communication from Bernhard H. Grefe of No. 165 A Stuyvesant Avenue, Brooklyn, I would say that the Kings Park State Hospital is not under the jurisdiction of this Department.

Application for the discharge of Herman Wempe should be made to the State Hospital Commission, Albany, New York, or to the Superintendent of the Kings Park State Hospital. There must be some good reason for detaining this man, because owing to the crowded condition of the State hospitals at the present time the Superintendents are only too glad to discharge those who, they feel, would be safe in the care of their relatives.

Yours very truly,

Commissioner.

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October 6, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor and Chairman of the
Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

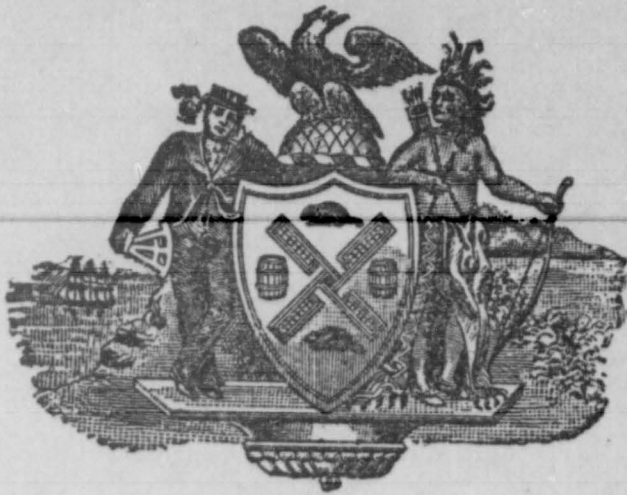
S i r:

In compliance with Section 226 of the Greater New York Charter,
I have the honor to present the Departmental Estimate of the amounts
necessary to conduct the business affairs of the Department for the
year 1914, the details of which are given in the accompanying schedules
consisting of 283 sheets.

Respectfully yours,

Michael J. Drummond
Commissioner.

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IN ANSWERING REFER TO

October 7, 1913.

Mr. Julian Beatty,

Sec'y, Office of the Mayor,

City Hall, N. Y. City.

S i r :

Your communication of October 3rd transmitting a letter from Edward R. Gallagher, Councilman of Philadelphia, asking for information about our Lodging House, has been received and will have prompt attention.

Respectfully yours,

JMB
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J. McKee Borden
Secretary.

New York City Visiting Committee

OF THE
STATE CHARITIES AID ASSOCIATION

Executive Committee

THE OFFICERS,
THE ELECTIVE MEMBERS,
MISS HELEN C. BUTLER,
MRS. WM. B. RICE,

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MISS JOSEPHINE WISNER,

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES

AND FOR

BELLEVUE AND ALLIED HOSPITALS.

Officers.

HOMER FOLKS, - - - PRESIDENT.
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MRS. WALTER SHAW BREWSTER, } PRESIDENTS.
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J. F. THOMAS, - - - SECRETARY.
MISS MARION R. TABER, ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

TELEPHONE { 1454 } GRAMERCY.
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105 EAST 22D STREET,

CONFIDENTIAL

NEW YORK, October 16th 1913.

Mr. Julian Beatty,
Secretary to the Mayor,
No. 5, City Hall,
New York.

My dear Mr. Beatty:

In accordance with my recent promise to you, I am submitting a few suggestions in connection with the budget estimate of the Department of Public Charities. These suggestions relate only to the items requested under the head of new activities, and are submitted in the order given on the sheets which you placed in my hands, a copy of which is attached to this communication.

NEW ACTIVITIES

Central Office Manhattan for Twin Island.

The Department is taking over the Jacob Riis Home on Twin Island, and we are informed that it is to be used as a convalescent home. Provision for convalescent care is badly needed in the Department of Public Charities, and the establishment of the home on Twin Island would greatly relieve the overcrowded conditions that exist during a great part of the year in the Metropolitan and City Hospitals on Blackwell's Island. Moreover, inasmuch as the cost of maintaining a convalescent home is much less

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than that of a general hospital, the establishment of this home will result in a considerable saving to the City, as convalescents are now kept at the general hospitals at a relatively high per capita cost, or, which is worse, they are very often discharged before they are physically able to take care of themselves, and as a result often ^{return} to the hospital and again become a burden on the community. The estimated capacity of the Jacob Riis Home is 60 or 75 patients and the number of employes requested for it appears to be quite reasonable for an institution of that size. A Supervising Nurse is surely necessary and at least one additional trained nurse would be needed also. For a head cook \$480 would probably be sufficient, with an assistant cook at \$360. It might be possible also to send the laundry work of the institution to Randall's Island or to one of the laundries on Blackwell's Island, thus making it possible to omit the two laundresses requested. I think the Commissioner's plan of providing more facilities for convalescent care an excellent one.

Bureau of Dependent Adults, Manhattan.

Desertion Bureau.

The idea of establishing a bureau to handle the desertion problem and provide for the extradition of deserters from other states is a splendid one, and we trust the proposed desertion bureau can be provided for in the present budget. Up to the present time, it has not been possible to deal adequately with this particular class, and a bureau of the kind proposed should go a long way toward preventing wife and ^{family} desertion. The Department of Public Charities is and always has been badly in need of examiners and for a long

time its work has been badly handicapped on this account. With the additional examiners or investigators that would come with the establishment of a desertion bureau, the Department could do its work much more efficiently.

We have no specific suggestions to make as to the employees requested, excepting to suggest that examiners might be sworn in as deputy sheriffs, thus doing away with the necessity of employing five police officers, and effecting a saving of \$7000 thereby.

Clearing House for Mental Defectives.

We have not had an opportunity to study the exact needs of the Clearing House as regards employees, and, therefore, have very few suggestions to make regarding specific positions requested. Speaking of the Clearing House as a whole, we favor its establishment and I shall endeavor to give a few arguments in support of our position.

In the first place, the Charities Department is at the present time the only Department that has the power to commit people to institutions for the feeble-minded, and it should by all means possess the machinery to do its work effectively. Whether or not at some future time other and fuller provision should be made, or whether this provision should be transferred to some other administrative body remains to be considered. The point is that we favor a clearing house in the Department of Public Charities to enable it to do the work now imposed upon it by law. I do not mean to imply that the Department of Public Charities should necessarily be the only department to carry on work of this kind. The Department of

Education may conceivably need to have a clearing house of its own for the effective performance of its task, which is that of knowing all about the children under its care. The only comments I would make regarding the specific positions requested would be to suggest a smaller number of psychologists (the two now employed at the Clearing House are unpaid) and to suggest further that five physicians might suffice if the Clearing House could be open both morning and afternoon. If this were possible, there might also be a corresponding decrease in the number of stenographers required.

Randall's Island.

Addition to Ward F.

I am inclined to think that the addition to Ward F itself could do very well with two or three trained nurses and four hospital helpers. This addition contains four small wards, with a total capacity of about forty beds, which might be increased to fifty in an extreme situation. These wards are to be used entirely for the idiotic and epileptic sick, and efficient care is needed. For this reason, ^{are} we strongly of the opinion that the hospital helpers should receive \$480 per annum as stated in the request and that the nurses provided be graduate nurses at \$600 per annum. I am sure that the other six hospital helpers requested are badly needed in other parts of the institution and we strongly urge that a part of this number at least be granted. If the six additional orderlies could be obtained they could be used to excellent advantage in Ward F where 150 low grade male idiots are now being cared for by four employes during the day, two of whom receive only \$10 a month, and at night by three very poorly paid and low grade employees. In fact, in this ward and the

North Hospital, which contains boys of much the same character, there are at present during the day, directly over these boys, six orderlies who receive but \$10 a month and five who are unpaid. At night in the same service, there are five orderlies at \$10 a month and seven who are unpaid. To those who know the general character of men available for this work and the quality of the service which they render, the need of better paid men to care for these unfortunate boys is very apparent indeed. We therefore respectfully urge that all of the hospital helpers requested for Randall's Island, namely ten, be granted.

Clearing House for Mental Defectives.

My comments under this heading would be much the same as stated above in speaking of that section of the Clearing House under the Bureau of Dependent Adults, Manhattan. The three physicians in this service now on Randall's Island are doing excellent work.

City Home, Blackwell's Island.

The Department is asking for a "trade instructor" for this institution at \$1200 per annum. A year ago Commissioner Drummond, on the recommendation of this Committee, decided to try an experiment in industrial work, and a young graduate of the Pratt Institute was employed to teach rug and mat making, broom making, etc., to such inmates of the Farm Colony as were able to do that kind of work. The results so far have been excellent, many useful articles have been produced, and the expenditure has been more than justified. We feel confident that the relatively small sum of money asked for will more than pay for itself in useful articles and contented inmates.

King's County Hospital

New Children's Hospital.

We are informed that a sufficient number of trained nurses and hospital helpers for the new Children's Hospital has already been provided for by a transfer from the Sea View Fund, and if this information is correct, these items are not, strictly speaking, new activities. It goes without saying that the items should be granted as the Children's Hospital is now carrying on its work in the new building.

New Staff House.

My only comment regarding this particular request is as follows: The number of employees desired is nine, and inasmuch as three employees, namely a cook, a waitress and a cleaner, will be transferred from the old staff house, there is a likelihood that the number granted at the present time could safely be reduced to six.

Additions to Psychopathic Building

It may be that the number of hospital helpers asked for under this heading may be somewhat in excess of the number that will actually be needed during the coming year, and unless a large number of alcoholic cases are added to the service, it would seem that eight or nine additional hospital helpers would be sufficient, as the number of psychopathic cases admitted to the King's County Hospital is not likely to increase very greatly during the next twelve months.

City Home, Brooklyn.

The Department is asking for a "trade instructor" for this institution also at \$1200 per annum, and our comments on this item under the heading "City Home, Blackwell's Island" will hold good here.

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It might be well to add also that the term "trade instructor" is rather misleading. The idea is to provide useful occupation in the simpler industries that will keep the old people employed and turn out articles that will be useful to the City's departments.

New York City Farm Colony.

New Laundry.

A laundryman is needed to take charge of the new laundry at the Farm Colony. Laundrymen in charge elsewhere get, as a rule, \$600, but as the Farm Colony is more remote, it would seem that there should be a more responsible man in charge, because of the probable less frequent visiting by the departmental laundryman. I would suggest that this man ought to be paid \$750 or \$900. We are informed that the six hospital helpers are needed for the laundry also, but we suggest that a few better paid helpers, who could have general oversight of the unpaid helpers, would be better than to provide six at the low salary of \$240. I therefore suggest that two or three be provided at salaries of, say, \$360 per annum.

The Department is asking for a "trade instructor" at \$1200 for this institution. It is here that the experiment described above has been tried with such gratifying results.

City Hospital.

New Laundry.

One laundryman in charge is requested at a salary of \$900. The work is now being done by a woman whose salary is, I believe, \$600. She is doing the work very satisfactorily and, inasmuch as the institution can be visited frequently by the departmental laundryman, the present

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salary would appear to be sufficient.

Metropolitan Hospital.

New Male Dormitory.

Four hospital helpers at \$240 each are requested for the new male dormitory at this institution. Last year the Metropolitan Hospital received the most liberal allowance for hospital helpers of all the institutions in the Department, and if the same number is allowed this year, they will probably have no difficulty in taking care of the new male dormitory.

Proposed Bureaus of Dependent Adults.

Boroughs of Bronx and Queens.

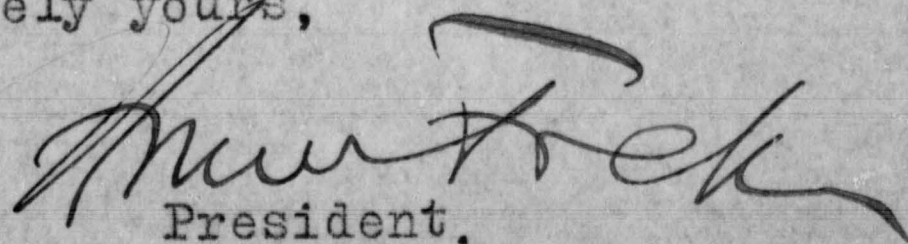
These bureaus are requested to take charge of the Department's work in the Domestic Relations Courts in the Boroughs of Bronx and Queens. It does not seem to us necessary to establish these bureaus at the present time, but there should undoubtedly be one or two additional examiners in each of the Boroughs to represent the Department at the Courts.

New System of Budget and Expense Accounting.

If the present system of budget and expense accounting is to be continued, it is imperative that the Department have additional clerical force to do its work. However, the new system seems to us in the main unnecessary and fruitless and we believe it ought to be changed.

Trusting that these few suggestions may be of some value to you, I am

Sincerely yours,


President.

NEW ACTIVITIES

Central Office for Twin Island

1	Supervising Nurse at \$750	\$750
2	Trained Nurses at \$600	1200
1	Cook	600
1	"	360
1	Hospital Helper at \$480 (Driver)	480
2	" " \$360 (Laundresses)	720
2	" " 240 (Ward Maids)	480
1	" " 360 (Orderly)	360
1	" " " (for grounds)	360

Bureau of Dependent Adults, Manhattan

1	Court Examiner for Domestic Relations Bureau	1500
6	Investigators at \$1200 (for Desertion Bureau)	7200
2	Stenographers and Typewriters (Desertion Bureau) at \$900	1800
1	Clerk at \$900 " "	900
5	Police Officers at \$1400 " "	7000
1	statistician (Clearing House for Mental Defectives)	1200
2	clerks (at \$1050) " " " "	2100
4	Stenographers at \$900 " " " "	3600
10	Physicians at \$1200 " " " "	12000
2	nurses at \$900 " " " "	1800
4	psychologists at \$1000 " " " "	4000

RANDALL'S ISLAND

5	Trained Nurses at \$600 (for Addition to Ward F)	3000
10	Hospital Helpers at 480 " " " " "	4800
3	Physicians (Clearing House Mental Defectives) at \$1200	3600
1	Stenographer " " " " "	900
1	Technician " " " " "	1200
1	Statistician " " " " "	1200

King's County Hospital

7	Trained Nurses at \$600 (New Children's Hospital)	4200
28	Hospital Helpers " " " "	
	2 at \$480	
	2 360	
	4 360	
	20 240	7680
9	Hospital Helpers (New Staff House)	
	1 480	
	2 360	
	6 240	2640
14	" " (Addition to Psycho. Bldg.)	
	12 300	
	2 240	4080

New York City Farm Colony

1	Laundryman in charge (New Laundry)	900
6	Hospital Helpers at \$240	1440

City Hospital

1 Laundryman in charge New Laundry \$900

Metropolitan Hospital

4 Hospital Helpers at \$240 (New Male Dormitory) 960
Inserted Later:

1 Trade Instructor for Farm Colony	\$1200	
1 " " " City Home, B.I.	1200	
1 " " " " Bkn	1200	
		3600

Proposed Bureaus of Dependent Adults.
Boroughs Bronx and Queens

1 Superintendent at \$1950)		
1 Clerk " 900)	\$6150 each Bureau	12 300
1 Stenographer " 900)		
2 Examiners " 1200)		

New System of Budget and Expense Accounting

6 Bookkeepers at \$1200	7200
3 " " 900	2700
1 each at \$1200 at Mech. Bur. R.I., Met. Hospital, City Home, B.I., City Hospital, K.C. Hospital.	
1 " " \$900 at C.I. Hospital, Cumberland St. Hospital, and N.Y.C. Farm Colony	

Increases in Salary
To Pay Prevailing Rate of Wages.

Mechanics Bureau - 5 Plumbers at \$5.00 to \$5.50 per diem	695
Bakery, B.I. - 6 bakers at \$3 00 to \$4 00 per diem	1878
" K.C. Hospital, 2 Bakers from \$3 00 to \$4 00 per diem	626

Mandatory

Randall's Island, 3 teachers at \$60 per annum each	180
Metropolitan Hospital, 1 teacher at \$60 per annum	60

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DEPARTMENTAL ESTIMATE 1914

Condensed statement of differences between amount requested for 1914 and amount appropriated for 1913.

The figures for 1913 are stated as at

JUNE 30th 1913.

	<u>1913</u>	<u>1914</u>
Salaries, wages and compensation of employes	1 357 880 00	1 699 840 00
Supplies, equipment, materials, etc.	2 044 435 00	2 448 513 00
Sea View Hospital, subject to transfer, etc.	247 150 00	
	<u>\$3 649 465 00</u>	<u>\$4 148 353 00</u>
Increase in 1914	498 888 00	
	<u>\$4 148 353 00</u>	
Changes of \$1000 or more:		
Salary changes - Increase		
Mandatory Increases (see separate schedule)	3 439 00	
Amount of Salaries allowed since July 1st 1913 and continued in 1914	37 416 00	
New activities (see separate schedule)	108 110 00	
Sea View Hospital 1913 - \$8 500		
1914 201 495	<u>192 995 00</u>	
Total		341 960 00

Supplies. Increase

Sea View Hospital	221 978 00	
Food Supplies	45 000 00	
Medical Supplies and Equipment	11 000 00	
Fuel	25 000 00	
Forage	2 000 00	
Household Equipment	39 000 00	
Wearing Apparel	37 000 00	
Office Supplies	5 000 00	
Contingencies	3 000 00	
Miscellaneous small items	<u>15 100 00</u>	
		<u>404 078 00</u>
TOTAL		<u>746 038 00</u>

Decrease appr. in 1913 for Sea View Hosp. subject to transfer	\$247 150 00
Total net increase	<u>498 888 00</u>

MRS. WILLIAM HENRY BARTON

Publicity Representative
of the "Cleaning House" for
Mental Defectives (at
the Post-Graduate Hos-
pital).

Dr. Schloap

Barry raised \$800 on
McArthur

Private Mailing Card

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CONDITIONS MISUNDERSTOOD:—

“New York City, in its care and classification of abnormal and defective children, stands on no higher level than a country village.”

August 28, 1913.

The New York Times.

CONDITIONS AS THEY ARE:—

FREE EXHIBIT

in the South Arcade of the Metropolitan Building, 23d Street and Madison Avenue, from 11 A. M. to 10 P. M., October 7th to 31st, of the work now being done for mentally defective children at the Clearing House for Mental Defectives. “Movies” and explanatory talks by 45 expert lecturers from 11-2, 4-6, 8-10 P. M.

**DAILY. COME AND BRING
YOUR FRIENDS WITH YOU.**

Department of Public Charities, New York City

MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, Commissioner

There are 15,000 Feeble-minded Children in New York City

2,253 of them, according to Supt. Maxwell's report, July 31, 1912, are cared for by our Public Schools, in ungraded classes for 960 hours out of 8,740 each year.

2,253 are cared for by
our Public Schools
for 5 hours, 192
days each year.

12,747 are at all times allowed to
mingle with normal children in
graded classes and on the streets

Do you care what becomes of these unfortunate children?

Do you care what injurious effects they have on your normal children?

Are you interested to help us construct an environment for them, where they can neither harm themselves nor be a menace to others? If you are, then come to the arcade in the Metropolitan Building between 11 A. M. and 10 P. M., any day from October 7th to the 31st, to the free exhibit of the work now being done for such children at the Clearing House for Mental Defectives.

MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, Commissioner
ANGUS P. THORNE, Superintendent

MAX G. SCHLAPP, M. D., Director of
Clearing House for Mental Defectives.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE MAYOR:

Vote for Seal View
Dept Public Charities

Seal View 1914	\$ 423,473
" 1913	93,104
Increase	<u>330,369</u>

Salaries as
 per detailed
 statement

Increase 149,000

Supplies

Equipment

Materials etc 19,500

Total Increase \$ 498,869

NEW ACTIVITIES

Central Office, Manhattan, for Twin Island

1	Supervising Nurse @ \$750.	\$750.00
2	Trained Nurses @ \$600.	1200.00
1	Cook @ \$600.	600.00
1	Cook @ \$360.00	360.00
1	Hospital Helper @ \$480. (Driver)	480.00
2	" " @ 360. (Laundresses)	720.00
2	" " @ 240. (Ward Maids)	480.00
1	" " @ 360. (Orderly)	360.00
1	" " @ 360. (For grounds)	360.00
		<u>5,310.00</u>

Bureau of Dependent Adults, Manhattan

1	Court Examiner for Domestic Relations Bureau @	\$1500.00
6	Investigators @ \$1200. (For Desertion Bureau)	7200.00
2	Stenographers & Typewriters (For Desertion Bureau) @ \$900.	1800.00
1	Clerk @ \$900.	900.00
5	Police Officers @ \$1400.	7000.00
1	Statistician (Clearing House for Mental Defectives)	1200.00
2	Clerks	@ \$1050.. 2100.00
4	Stenographers	@ \$900. 3600.00
10	Physicians @ \$1200..	12000.00
2	Nurses	@ \$900. 1800.00
4	Psychologists	@ \$1000. 4000.00
		<u>43,100.00</u>

Randall's Island

5	Trained Nurses @ \$600. (For Addition to Ward "F")	\$3000.00
10	Hospital Helpers @ \$480. " " " "	4800.00
3	Physicians (Clearing House for Mental Defectives) @ \$1200..	3600.00
1	Stenographer " " " " "	900.00
1	Technician " " " " "	1200.00
1	Statistician " " " " "	1200.00
		<u>14,700.00</u>

Kings County Hospital

7	Trained Nurses @ \$600. (For new Children's Hospital)	\$4200.00
28	Hospital Helpers " " " " " 2 @ \$480., 2 @ \$360.	7680.00
9	Hospital Helpers . . . (For New Staff House), 1 @ \$480., 2 @ \$360., 6 @ \$240.	2640.00
14	Hospital Helpers . . (Addition to Psycho. Bldg.) 12 @ \$300., 2 @ \$240.	4080.00
		<u>18,600.00</u>

New York City Farm Colony

1	Laundryman in Charge (New Laundry)	\$900.00
6	Hospital Helpers @ \$240. " "	1440.00
		<u>2,340.00</u>

City Hospital

1	Laundryman in Charge (New Laundry)	\$900.00
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Metropolitan Hospital

4	Hospital Helpers @ \$240. (For New Male Dormitory)	\$960.00
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Proposed Bureaus of Dependent Adults, Boroughs Bronx & Queens

1 Superintendent @ \$1950.)
 1 Clerk @ \$900.)
 1 Stenographer @ \$900.) \$6150. each Bureau \$12300.00
 2 Examiners @ \$1200.)

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New System of Budget & Expense Accounting

6 Bookkeepers @ \$1200. \$7200.00
 3 " @ \$ 900. 2700.00

1 each @ \$1200. at Mech. Bur.- R. I.- Met. Hospital.-
 City Home, B.I. - City Hospital. - K. C. Hospital -
 1 each @ \$900. at C. I. Hospital. - Cumberland St. Hospital-
 and N.Y.City Farm Colony.

*101 after - 100
 not "*

9,900.00

108,110

INCREASES IN SALARY

To pay prevailing rate of wages

Mechanics Bureau, 5 Plumbers @ \$5. to \$5.50 per diem \$695.00
 Bakery, B.I., 6 Bakers @ \$3.00 to \$4.00 per diem 1878.00
 Bakery, K.C. Hospital, 2 Bakers from \$3.00 to \$4.00 per diem 626.00

Mandatory

Randall's Island, 3 Teachers, \$60.00 per annum each \$180.00
 Metropolitan Hospital, 1 Teacher, \$60.00 per annum. 60.00
 \$3439.00

DEPARTMENTAL ESTIMATE 1914

Condensed statement of differences between amount requested for 1914 and amount appropriated for 1913.

The figures for 1913 are stated as at
JUNE 30, 1913

	<u>1913</u>	<u>1914</u>
Salaries, wages and compensation of employees	\$1,357,880.00	\$1,699,840.00
Supplies, equipment, materials, etc.	2,044,435.00	2,448,513.00
Sea View Hospital, subject to transfer, etc.	247,150.00	-----
	<u>3,649,465.00</u>	<u>4,148,353.00</u>
Increase in 1914.....	498,888.00	
	<u>4,148,353.00</u>	

Changes of \$1000.00 or more:

Salary Changes-Increase

Mandatory increases (See separate schedule)	3,439.00	
Amount of salaries allowed since July 1, 1913 and continued in 1914	37,416.00	S.R.B. 104
New Activities (See separate schedule)	108,110.00	
Sea View Hospital, 1913-\$8,500.00, 1914-\$201,495.00	192,995.00	
TOTAL.....		341,960.00

Supplies, Increase

Sea View Hospital	221,978.00	
Food Supplies	45,000.00	
Medical Supplies and Equipment	11,000.00	
Fuel	25,000.00	
Forage	2,000.00	
Household Equipment	39,000.00	
Wearing Apparel	37,000.00	
Office Supplies	5,000.00	
Contingencies	3,000.00	
Miscellaneous small items	15,100.00	
TOTAL.....		404,078.00

Decrease appro. in 1913 for Sea View Hospital subject to transfer

TOTAL NET INCREASE.....

Brockway, W. H.

5% - 10% patients

Department of Public Charities, New York City

MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, Commissioner

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Private Mailing Card



CONDITIONS MISUNDERSTOOD:—

“New York City, in its care and classification of abnormal and defective children, stands on no higher level than a country village.”

August 28, 1913.

The New York Times.

CONDITIONS AS THEY ARE:—

FREE EXHIBIT

in the South Arcade of the Metropolitan Building, 23d Street and Madison Avenue, from 11 A. M. to 10 P. M., October 7th to 31st, of the work now being done for mentally defective children at the Clearing House for Mental Defectives. “Movies” and explanatory talks by 45 expert lecturers from 11-2, 4-6, 8-10 P. M.

**DAILY. COME AND BRING
YOUR FRIENDS WITH YOU.**

*Hon Julian P. Beatty
City Hall
N.Y.C.
N.Y.*

Department of Public Charities, New York City

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Since January 1, 1913, the following institutions and agencies have sent 2,700 cases to the Clearing House for Mental Defectives for disposal:

I.	City Courts	99
II.	S. P. C. C.....	149
III.	N. Y. Probation Association	16
IV.	City Missions and Homes.....	82
V.	City Churches and Synagogues.....	25
VI.	Public Schools and the Medical Staff of the Board of Health.....	444
VII.	Settlements and Nurseries.....	24
VIII.	Asylums	22
IX.	City Hospitals and their Social Workers.....	196
X.	Schools for Defectives, Incurables and Blind.....	23
XI.	Charity Organizations	254
XII.	Parents	936
XIII.	Came of their own volition.....	180
XIV.	Friends	39
XV.	Family Doctors	67
XVI.	Department of Correction.....	47
XVII.	Miscellaneous	97
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		2,700

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COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.
FOOT OF EAST 26TH STREET,
NEW YORK.

November 5, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor of The City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

I beg to enclose invitation for the Dedication Exercises in connection with the new Sea View Hospital, Staten Island. I am very desirous that you honor us with your presence on the occasion. If you will kindly accept, I will arrange to call for you and bring you to the place by motor.

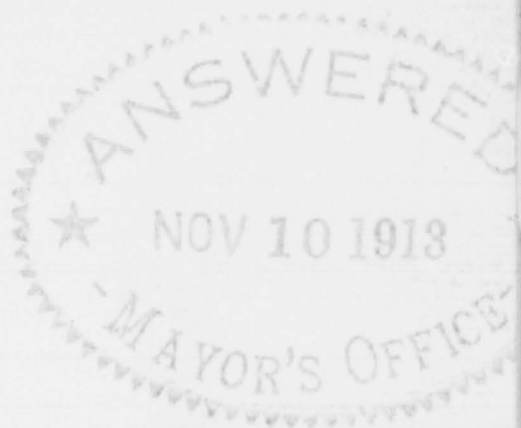
The new Hospital is the largest in the United States and the work which it will undertake, namely-the care of tuberculosis patients, interests a very large number of our citizens.

Hoping to receive a favorable reply at your convenience, I am, with best wishes,

Yours very truly,

Michael L. Drumm
Commissioner.

Enc.





*The Commissioner of Public Charities
of the City of New York*

requests the honor of your presence at

*The Dedication Exercises
of the*

Sea View Hospital

to be held Wednesday, November 12th 1913.

at 3 P.M.

R.S.V.P.

Department of Public Charities

*The Sea View Hospital may be reached
from St. George, Staten Island,
via Silver Lake Car to Four Corners.*

*Carriages will meet guests at Four Corners.
Special Cars will be provided at St. George, Staten Island
for guests arriving on boats leaving the Battery
at 1-1³⁰ and 2 P.M., November 12, 1913.*

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FOOT OF EAST 26TH STREET,
NEW YORK.

November 13, 1913.

The Honorable Ardolph L. Kline,

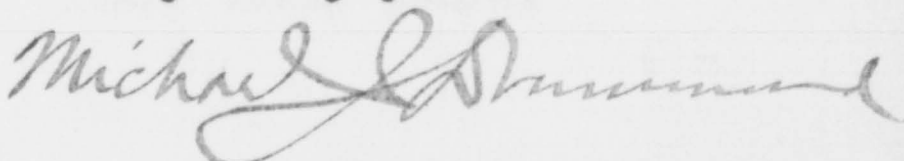
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Dear Mr. Mayor:

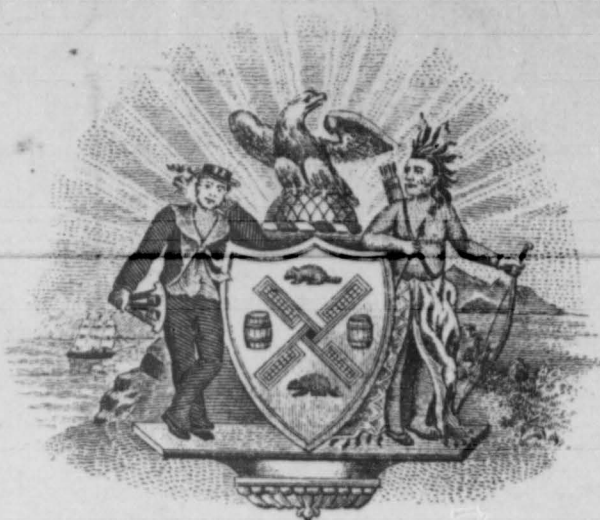
This is only to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of November 10th, which came into my hands this morning, containing a communication from Comptroller Prendergast, dated November 6th, and a leaflet headed: "The Truth about the Attack on the Charitable Institutions".

I shall very gladly reply, stating the facts just as they are, although I very much regret that I am called upon to do so. I venture the assertion that no fault will be found with me for my action in this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Michael J. Drummond". The signature is fluid and extends across the width of the text area.

Commissioner.



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.
327-331 SCHERMERHORN STREET.
BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN AND QUEENS.

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WM. J. MCKENNA,
3RD DEPUTY COMMISSIONER.

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November 19th, 1913.

Hon. Robert Adamson,

Secretary,

Office of the Mayor.

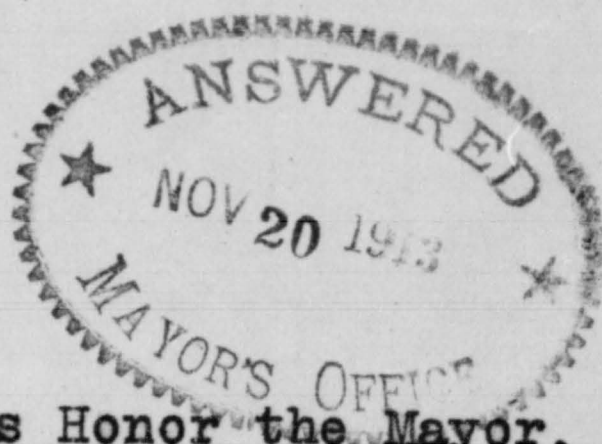
Dear Sir:-

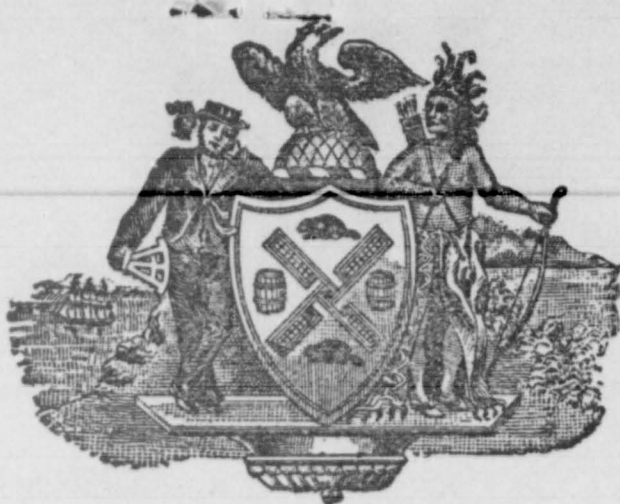
The attached communication to his Honor the Mayor, Ardolph Kline is returned, together with our report as follows:

Julius Cohen was convicted in the Court of Special Sessions, Brooklyn, of being the father of an illegitimate child born to Estella Damsky on August 29th, 1912, and ordered to give a bond in the sum of Two Hundred Dollars to secure the weekly payments of Two Dollars, together with the sum of Twenty Dollars representing lying-in expenses. The case was appealed by Mr. Cohen and decision handed down on the 17th day of October, 1913, affirming the order of the lower court. On the same day a bond was given, and is now on file in this Office, having been received October 20th, 1913. The order of filiation dates from December 23rd, 1912, on which date the child was born. Up to the present date the sum of One Hundred and Fourteen Dollars is due, which the defendant promised he would attend to this week. If the defendant fails to keep his promise, we will be obliged to institute action to recover, as we have no alternative.

Respectfully yours,

Thomas L. Fogarty
Second Deputy Commissioner.





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November 28, 1913.

James Matthews, Esq.,
Executive Secretary,
Office of The Mayor,
City Hall, New York.

Dear Mr. Matthews:

Referring to your letter of November 20th and accompanying letter from William Leidenberg, which I beg to return herewith, would say that I have had our Brooklyn Bureau investigate this case and I enclose you a copy of report, dated November 26th, received by me this morning.

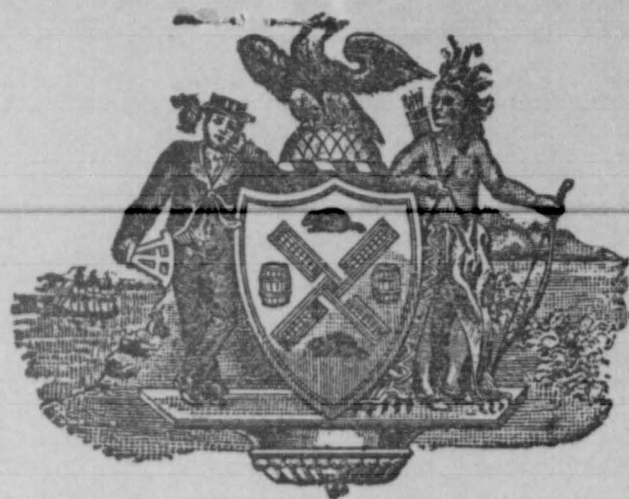
There does not seem to be anything further that we can do at the present time. Kindly so advise his Honor, the Mayor.

Yours very truly,

Michael J. Drummond
Commissioner.

MJD/RM (2 Encs.)

P.S. Since writing the above, I have received a telephone message from our Brooklyn office stating that the applicant has just called there. They find he has been up at Liberty, Sullivan County, New York, and just returned here, claiming a residence in Manhattan. I have requested that he be sent over here at once and I will give the case immediate attention.



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BUREAU OF DEPENDENT ADULTS

327-331 Schermerhorn Street,

Brooklyn, N.Y. Nov. 26th, 1913.

Hon. Michael J. Drummond,
Commissioner of Public Charities,
Ft. East 26th St., New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to report upon the following matter referred to me
by you:-

Mr. William Leidenberg of 197 Adelphi Street, Brooklyn applies in behalf of a friend, Joseph Shelock. The case was assigned for investigation to an Examiner, who in turn reports as follows:-

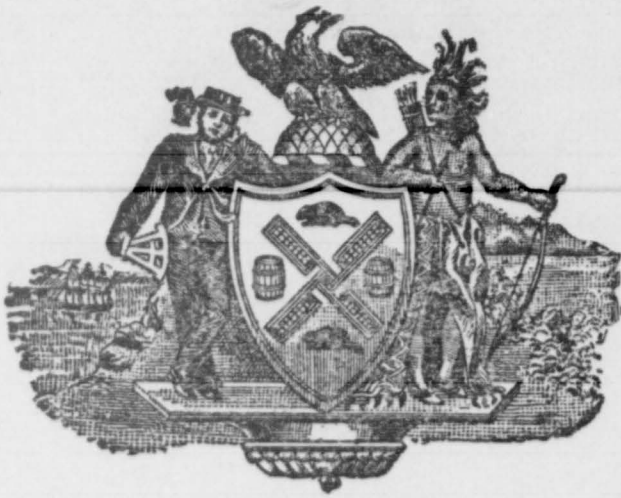
"Mr. Leidenberg wrote a letter to His Honor, The Mayor about a friend who has Pulmonary Tuberculosis, and he wants friend to go to Ray Brook, Applicant at present at Liberty, Sullivan Co., New York, being cared for by friends. Friends paying his expenses. Will call to office for examination with Mr. Leidenberg, and then give history. Never lived at given address, 197 Adelphi Street."

In view of this report of the Examiner, this application is held in abeyance awaiting said visit to this office on the part of Mr. Leidenberg and his friend. To date neither has appeared for examination or to furnish further history.

Respectfully yours,

(Sgd) Louis L. Suskyn

Supt. B. D. A.



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December 3rd, 1913.

Mr. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
Office of Mayor, City Hall, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

Commissioner Drummond directs me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 28, with an enclosure from J. O. Cheatham, of Walker, Vernon Co., Missouri, and we beg to say that we have handed same to the Children's Aid Society as being the most likely organization to be able to comply with Mr. Cheatham's request. They have assured us that they will communicate with the gentleman at once.

Respectfully yours,

FK.MT

Frank J. Goodwin
Private Secretary.



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December 3, 1913.

James Matthews, Esq.,
Executive Secretary,
Office of The Mayor,
City Hall, New York.

Dear Mr. Matthews:

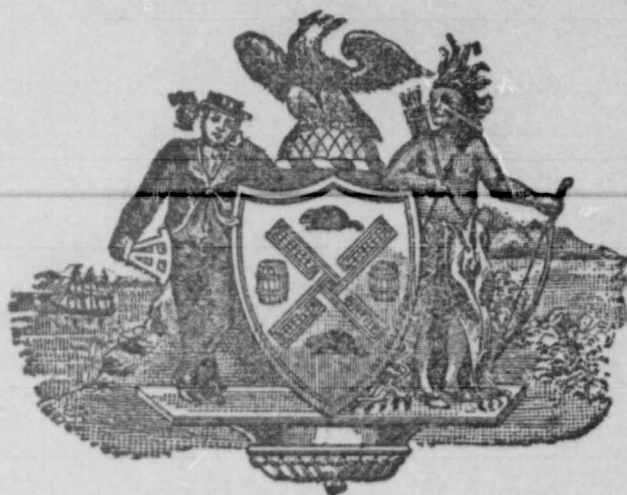
In further response to your communication of November 20th regarding Joseph Sherlock, aged 22 years, of No. 343 East 75th Street, who is suffering from tuberculosis and who desires to be admitted to Ray Brook Hospital, I would say; that he has been examined at our Tuberculosis Hospital Admission Bureau, Manhattan, and found to be suffering from tuberculosis in an advanced stage, so much so that he is not a suitable case for Otisville, Ray Brook, or Sea View Hospital. He is, however, a proper case for Metropolitan or Riverside Hospital, and we advised him to go to Riverside Hospital and offered to place him in that institution. He refused to go and stated he would return to Liberty, New York.

There is, therefore, nothing we can do in the
matter.

Very truly yours,

Michael J. Drummond
Commissioner.

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New York, December 3, 1913.

Mr. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
Office of the Mayor,
City Hall, Manhattan.

Dear Sir:-

In response to your communication of November 28th, enclosing letter from Miss Lillian Snook of Beacon, New York, who wishes to obtain some information concerning her child, whom she placed in an institution in this City, and which died and was buried without the mother having been notified, would say; I find the child was placed in the Misericordia Hospital, and died October 14th, 1913, age five months and twelve days. The Sisters in charge of the Hospital say, the baby was given in adoption, absolute surrender, to the Sisters of the Misericordia Hospital; therefore, when the child died, as the mother had given up all claim to the child, they had not notified her. I have, however, notified the mother how the body can be exhumed, and how she can obtain it for burial, the child having been buried at Hart's Island.

Respectfully yours,

JMB/JMP

J. McKee Borden
Secretary.



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Office of The Mayor,
City Hall, New York.

Dear Mr. Matthews:

In reply to your communication of November 28th forwarding letter from Mr. William Kunstler of No. 652 Broadway and also letter from Dr. I. Friesner who has until recently been allowed the privilege of making an examination of unclaimed bodies at the Morgue, would say that I have had the matter investigated and find that it is a violation of the law to permit Dr. Friesner to perform autopsies on the bodies of unclaimed dead. The law provides that these bodies shall be distributed to the different medical schools. The law was amended last year so as to include post-graduate medical schools.

There is a great demand for bodies, and the only way in which Dr. Friesner could be allowed to perform autopsies at the morgue would be for him to be appointed to some professorship in a medical school; then each body on which he operates could be charged as a body distributed to the medical school of which he is a member.

I am informed that Dr. Friesner wishes this privilege not only for himself but for the purpose of instructing students in minor operations. I presume Dr. Friesner is paid by these students



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Dec. 3, 1913.

and I do not see why he should be granted any courtesy not extended to the other physicians in the City of New York, of which there are about ten thousand.

I return herewith Mr. Kunstler's letter to the Mayor and Dr. Friesner's letter to Mr. Kunstler.

Very truly yours,

Michael J. Drummond
Commissioner.

RM

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Enclosures

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.
FOOT OF EAST 26TH STREET,
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December 8, 1913.

Bart Schneider, Esq.,
c/o Brooklyn Daily Eagle,
Eagle Building, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Schneider:

In accordance with your telephone request,
I send you copies of the correspondence bearing on
the case of Delia A. Maxwell.

Wishing you success in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

Michael J. Mumford

Don't forget
your promise to call.
D.M.

8 Sherman St.

Nov. 11, 1913.

Dear Friend Steve,

The copy of that letter has not materialized yet, neither have I heard from Fr. Moran.

Yesterday we received the calendar you sent us. Thank you for it.

The substance of the letter on file in the office of the Civil Service Commission is as follows:-

Com. Drummond wrote to the President of the Civil Service Commission some time after March 31, 1913, the date of my dismissal and acknowledged that in his

hurry to finish the day's work, my dismissal was signed before he had an opportunity to investigate the charges preferred against me.

He further states that when he did investigate he found that a great injustice had been done me and begs to have my name placed on the preferred list.

Com. Fogarty has blighted my life. Since he took command he has persecuted me and I never had any redress. When my name was placed on the Civil Service list I thought some one would look after my interests, but I was mistaken.

I am still very weak. My writing shows it.

Now, dear friend, I wish you "God speed." If you do not succeed my last hope is gone.

With all send kind regards.

Sincerely,

Delia A. Maxwell.

MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

of the City of New York

299 Broadway, 11th Floor

New York, September 16, 1913.

Mr. Michael J. Drummond,
Commissioner, Department of Public Charities,
Foot East 26th Street, New York City.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 8th instant, I am directed to inform you that the Commission is without power to authorize either the reassignment to duty of Miss Delia A. Maxwell as a Visitor in your Department, or to restore her to the eligible list for further certification.

Under the opinion of the Corporation Counsel, an appointing officer has no power to review his action in dismissing an employee, except in accordance with chapter 302 of the Laws of 1913, which provision of law has been held to apply only to permanent appointees.

Under the ruling laid down in the matter of Sweet v. Lyman, 157 New York, page 368, the probationary period is held to be the final test of examination. According to the record, Delia A. Maxwell was dropped at the end of her probationary period for the reason that her services were unsatisfactory, and under the decision referred to, it may be held that she failed to pass the final test in her examination.

Very respectfully yours,

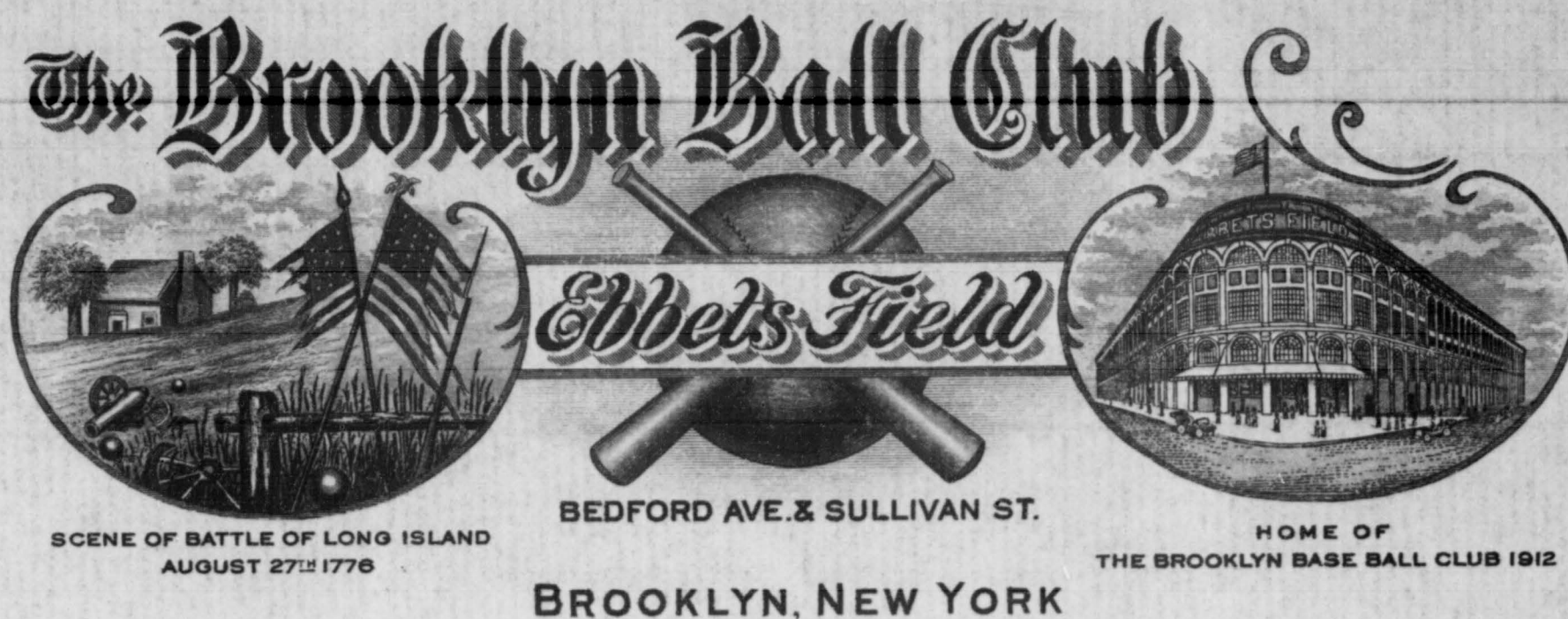
(Signed) F. A. SPENCER,

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SECRETARY



Dec. 8th 1913.

Hon. Adolph E. Kline,
Mayor City of New York
City Hall,

New York.

My dear Mr. Mayor:-

Enclosed herewith please find the letters in reference
to the case that the undersigned saw you about.

Yours very truly,

S. W. H. & Co.
Bart Schneider



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Copy

July 8, 1913.

Frank A. Spencer, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission,
No. 299 Broadway, New York City.

Dear Sir:

On January 1, 1913, Delia A. Maxwell was appointed as a "Visitor" in this Department, in the Bureau of Dependent Adults, Brooklyn, at \$1000.00 per annum, she having been certified by the Civil Service Commission as eligible for appointment to said position and her appointment having been made in accordance with Rule XI, paragraph 2, of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations.

On March 31st I received a letter from the Second Deputy Commissioner recommending that she be dropped from the roll for unsatisfactory service during her period of probation, to take effect that day. This was the first intimation I had received that her services were unsatisfactory and, as it was the last day of her probation, immediate action was necessary. However, before taking that action, I demanded a statement in detail from the Second Deputy Commissioner showing wherein her services were unsatisfactory, and after receiving that statement, about 4 P. M., I notified Miss Maxwell that her services would not be required after the end of her probationary period, which ended that day (March 31st). Notice was served on her at her residence as the office had closed before I could act.

Since that time I have made investigations and received letters of explanation from Miss Maxwell, and I am now satisfied that the reports presented to me were somewhat biassed, and had the matter been called to my attention before the 31st day of March, the last day on which I could act, I would not have dismissed her because I would have had time to fully investigate the reports and conditions and receive her explanation.

I wish to do justice to Miss Maxwell. I cannot reinstate her as we have no vacancy. I would respectfully request, however, that her name be restored to the eligible list as Examiner of Charitable Institutions in the same position it was originally.

All letters, papers and reports in connection with this matter are on file in this office and, should you so desire, I will gladly forward them to you for your consideration.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) M. J. DRUMMOND,

Commissioner.



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September 8, 1913.

Frank A. Spencer, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission,
No. 299 Broadway, New York City.

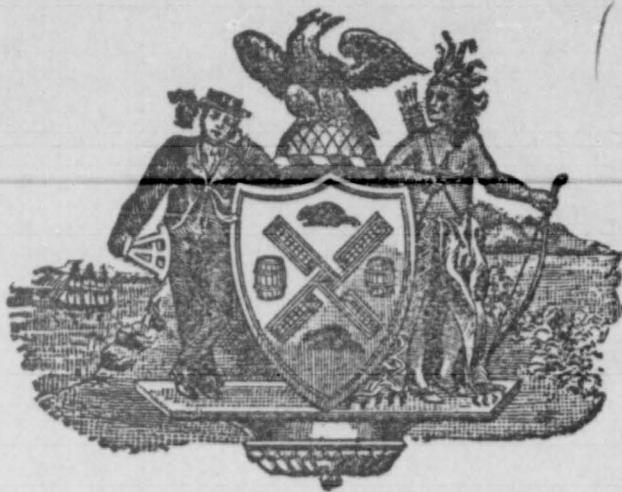
Dear Sir:-

Referring to my letter of July 8, 1913, in regard to the case
of Delia A. Maxwell, kindly advise what action you have taken.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Michael J. Drummond,

Commissioner.



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December 9th, 1913.

Mr. Robert Adamson,
Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

My dear Sir:-

As per your request of December 8th, we are sending to Mr. Edward E. Moore, Assistant Secretary to the Mayor of Boston, copy of our annual report which includes the report of the Municipal Lodging House for the year of 1912. We are also sending him copy of the section of the Charter relating to the Municipal Lodging House, also copy of the law as found in Chapter 535 laws of 1886.

Respectfully yours,

FK.MT

Frank J. Goodwin
Private Secretary.

Translation by Rudolph Holde



To His Honor the Mayor
of New York City.

From your noble and magnanimous
heart I expect and act of charity and of compassion.

I am alone and sick and I have two sons
committed to an institution. The first, is named Raffaele
Cinque, is seven years old and has been placed in the
St. John Home, Brooklyn, the other one named Salvatore
Cinque 4 years old has been placed in the Angel Guardian
Home, Brooklyn. As I am sick and alone I cannot
do so much traveling and make expenses and therefore I
desire that you would cause my son Salvatore to be sent
and placed in the same institution, the St. John's Home,
where my son Raffaele is. This change can be made by
the Children's Bureau at 327 Schermerhorn St., Brooklyn.

From your Honor, who is the Chief of the City, I expect
this great benefaction for which the Almighty God will
recompense you. With thousand thanks and blessings
I sign, with all respect and humble obedience,

Your Honor's most devoted servant
Antonio Cinque

209 Harrison Ave.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Brooklyn, Dec. 10th 1913.

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Eccellentissimo
Signor Sindaco della Città di
New York

Dal Vostro nobile e magnanimo
cuore, attendo un vero atto di carità
e di pietà -

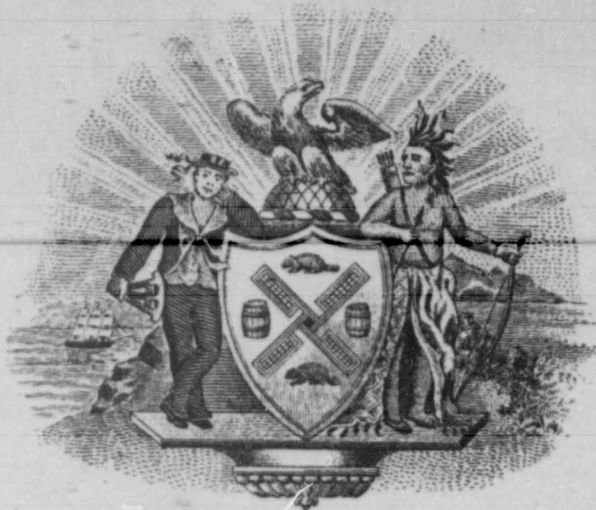
Io son solo ed ammalato - Io ho
due figli chiusi in Collegio:

Il primo a nome Raffaele Cinque
di anni 8 Trovasi chiuso nel collegio
di San John's Home, Brooklyn - e
l'altro, a nome Salvatore Cinque,
di anni 8, Trovasi chiuso a
Angel Guardian Home Brooklyn.
Piacere io sono ammalato e
solo, non posso tanto camminare
e fare spese, perciò desidererei
che mio figlio Salvatore fosse
chiuso e messo nello stesso Collegio
di San John's Home, ove si trova
mio figlio Raffaele - Questo cambio
mentre lo fa il Children Bureau
del 328 Schermerhorn Street di
Brooklyn

Salta Eccellenza Vostra, che è
il capo della Città - aspetto un
fi grande bene, che il Sommo e
Passante Vostro glielo riconosca
condegli' nelle grazie e benedizioni
Con ogni rispetto ed obbedienza
unitamente mi faccio.

Brooklyn 10 Dicem. 1913

Vella E. V. 1113 Devoto servizio
Reg. Antonio Cinque
209. Harrison Ave
Brooklyn. N.Y.



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IN ANSWERING REFER TO 2432

December 15th- 1913.

Hon. Michael J. Drummond,
Commissioner, Dept. of Public Charities,
City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

In relation to the attached communications concerning the case of Mrs. Lillian Seaman, I would respectfully submit the following report:

According to the records on file since July, 1907, this Department has experienced considerable difficulty in trying to comply with the numerous requests of Mrs. Seaman to provide for her children and to discharge them to her care.

At the time of the several annual reinvestigations to determine her ability to care for the children, it has been almost next to impossible to gain sufficient information from her to properly decide her case.

Under date of October 3rd- 1910, an Examiner reports that in calling the case to the attention of Dr. Nichols of the Bureau of Charities for temporary relief, he stated that he knew the woman well and that under no circumstances would he give her shelter again; that he had advised and helped her often, and that she was ungrateful and untruthful, and that she could well care for her two children; he added, however, that if she could not find lodging, he would send her

Hon. Michael J. Drummond, --2--

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over to the Municipal Lodging House to remain there until she should find rooms.

On October 3rd, 1910, two of her children were again committed to the American Female Guardian Society and Mrs. Seaman signed an agreement to pay nine dollars a month, payments to begin November 3rd- 1910. At that time her four children were public charges.

On May 31st, 1911, it was learned that Mrs. Seaman had not worked steadily since February, 1911, owing to illness. Her existing indebtedness amounting to thirty-seven dollars, was then cancelled.

One of her children, Margaret, had been committed through the Children's Bureau of Manhattan. On July 10th, 1911, this child was discharged to her mother and in view of that the agreement she made at this office was cancelled. At the time this agreement was cancelled Mrs. Seaman was in arrears to the amount of twenty-seven dollars. From November 2nd, 1910 to August 10th, 1911, she paid the sum of twenty-six dollars.

The Brooklyn Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, under date of October 19th- 1911, reported, in part, the following:

"It was alleged that Margaret was being abused by her mother who constantly was finding fault with her; often threatened her with a beating and was continually kept indoors. While it cannot be said that the mother was addicted to drink, it seems she had not given the daughter the proper treatment a mother should. The girl refused to return to her mother and on September 5th, in Children's Court, she was committed to the care of this Society. Previous investigations show that Mrs. Seaman was a woman of violent temper".

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Dec. 15th- 1913.

As the result of a reinvestigation Mrs. Seaman signed another agreement on December 6th, 1912 to pay the sum of five dollars a month toward the cost of the care and maintenance of her children, payments to begin December 13th, 1912. At that time she was earning five dollars a week and her board and had no one depending upon her for support. Since that date she has paid thirty-five dollars and now owes thirty dollars.

Several attempts were made this year to ascertain why Mrs. Seaman did not pay according to her agreement. As she had not paid since April 15th, 1913, and had not made known her reason for not doing so, on August 8th, 1913, her visiting was prohibited. During September she made a payment and was immediately given permission to visit her children.

The following is a copy of a letter dated September 29th, 1913, Mrs. Seaman received from the American Female Guardian Society:

"Dear Mrs. Seaman:-

When you were here a week ago yesterday, I told you not to come over on Sunday and not to leave fruit here on Sunday. You don't pay any attention to this and Miss Packard says if you come again you can not see the children on visiting day. Your permit does not give you permission to see the children except according to our rules, which is on the last Friday of each month only unless quarantined, in which case no one can help. Please attend to this request for Miss Packard will take this matter up if you do not abide by our few rules.

Very truly

M.T.Young

If you bring any more fruit it will not be received"

On October 7th, 1913, Miss H. Marion Packard, Secretary of the American Female Guardian Society, wrote this Department as follows:

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"We would like to suggest that Mrs. Seaman take her two girls Wanda and Madeline out of the Home. She comes here very well dressed and bringing loads of the very best fruit and candy.

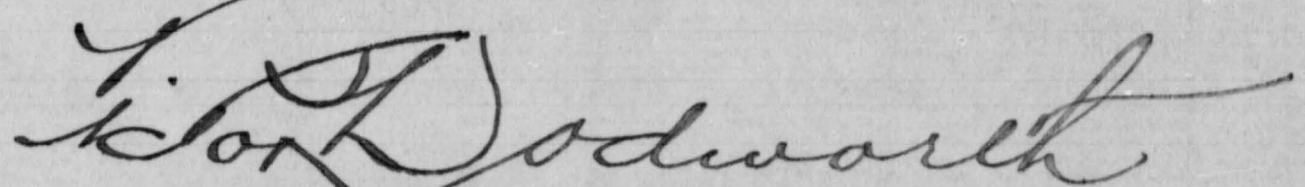
We do not think the City should be supporting her family. We have had 4 of her girls - 2 have left us. Does she pay board to you - if so it is all right. She pays nothing here, and we think she is a very extravagant woman.

Yours truly,

H. Marion Packard,
Ass't. Cor. Sec'y"

As our records will prove, this Department has been most patient and lenient with Mrs. Seaman in all of its dealings with her.

Yours respectfully,



Superintendent,
Children's Bureau

VSD/MDK

New York Dec. 1913.

Honorable

Mayor of New York City.

Sir,

Excuse me for taking
the liberty writing
to you. My Name is
William Beaman 44
years old widow have
3 children, on account
of the death of my husband
I was compelled to go
to the Department of
Public Charities, Childrens
Bureau 327-337 Schermer-
horn str Brooklyn to ask
the Superintendent Doderworth
for assistance with my
Children. Mr. Doderworth
placed my daughter Madeline
and Wanda in the Home
for finders 936 Wood-
crest av N.Y. City.

my other child Lillian
13 years old orphan Asylum
Atlantic & Kingston and
Brooklyn. The 3rd of
Oct 3 years ago my
children went to this
Home, I promised to
Mr. Dodworth that I would
do and pay so much
for my children as I
was able to, and I
lived up to my promise
and paid whenever I
could. I am earning
small wages, been sick
and out of work
many times and
could not pay
regularly as I need
cloths shoes and other
necessary things for
my self, I am buying

Cloths for my Children
each time when I go
to see them it cost me
care fare & explained
all this to Mr. Bodsworth
but it seems he has
no pity with a poor
unfortunate woman
his treatment towards
me is shameful and
I look to you, and
ask you the major
and Rubler of this
great community
for protection for me
and my Children.

On account of been not
able to pay for my
Children at present

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are hunting after me
like after a wild animal
whenever to come to me
the let my Employers
know that the come from
the Public Charities Depar-
tment it seems to me
Mr. Hadworth want to
take the blood of my
heart he wants were
every little while to
come to his office
and explain to him
why I dont pay him
regularly, he dont think
that it cost me as far
to come to his Office
so often and as I
am not able to
pay, what shall I do
if I can not see my
children any more

it is no use for me
to live any longer
I am near ~~this~~ despairing
I can give you Honor
~~but a few references as to~~
~~my character.~~ After much
hesitation Mr. Dodson
sent me this permit
which I inclose to prove
to you what I tell you
in this letter. Hoping
you as the Major and
Superior of over all
Departments will give
me permission to
see my children as
soon as I am able I will
take my poor children out
of the House. Hoping to
hear from you in the
near future.

Remain

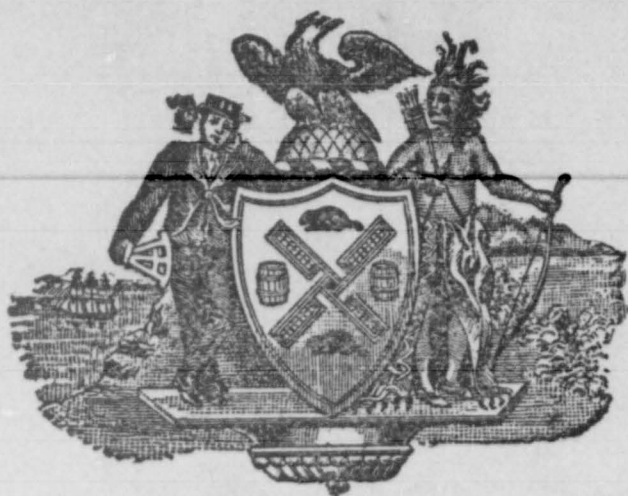
Your

Obdient Servant

Mr. William Seaman

246 Herwick Str.

Brooklyn



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December 16, 1913.

James Matthews, Esq.,
Executive Secretary,
Office of The Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

Dear Mr. Matthews:

Replying to your letter of December 12th
in regard to the complaint of Mrs. Lillian Seaman, you will
find herewith a statement bearing on same, dated December 15th,
from our Superintendent of the Children's Bureau, Mr. Dodworth.
I think this statement is a full reply.

Mrs. Seaman is one of a type of persons
who use our Department in and out for a long period of years,
have no appreciation, and are always looking for some slight
reason, or no reason, to abuse those who are trying to do their
full duty.

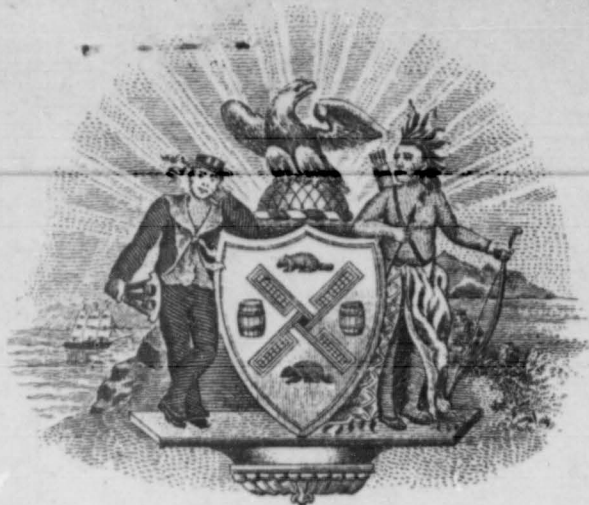
Very truly yours,

Michael J. Drummond
Commissioner.

MJD/RM

(Enclosures)

P.S. I return the letter which you sent
with your communication.



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IN ANSWERING REFER TO

Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 22nd, 1913.

Hon. Michael J. Drummond,
Commissioner of Public Charities,
Ft. E. 26th St., New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

In relation to the attached communications concerning the case of Antonio Cinque of 209 Harrison Avenue, Borough of Brooklyn, I would respectfully submit the following report:-

Upon receipt of your communication of the 20th inst., an Examiner was immediately sent to the address mentioned, 209 Harrison Avenue, and he called there at 4:30 P. M. and 6:30 P. M. on the same day. He reports that the address is that of a barber shop, and that Mr. Cinque does not reside there, nor would the barber in charge of the shop disclose Mr. Cinque's address. Although several attempts have been made to have Mr. Cinque call at this office in order that this Department may ascertain where he lives, as to whether or not he is in a position to do anything for his children, he refuses to do so, and instead communicates directly with the office of the Mayor, and under date of January 11th, 1913 he wrote to Former Governor William Sulzer concerning this case. The attached communication is the third referred by the Mayor to this Department in less than two years, and in each case report was submitted to your office under the following dates, April 22nd, 1912 and April 14th, 1913.

Nevertheless, I can see no objection to complying with his request to have his children brought together, but at the present time the

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Angel Guardian Home, of which Salvatore is an inmate, is under quarantine, and therefore it is not possible to do so now. As soon as the quarantine is raised from the Institution by the Department of Health, steps will be taken to effect the transfer.

It would be well, however, and I would respectfully request the same, that Mr. Cinque be directed to furnish this Department with his place of abode in order that the usual reinvestigation may be made in his case.

Very respectfully,


Second Deputy Commissioner.

COMMISSIONERS OFFICE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.
FOOT OF EAST 26TH STREET,
NEW YORK.

December 23, 1913.

James Matthews, Esq.,
Executive Secretary,
Office of The Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

Dear Mr. Matthews:

Referring to the enclosed communication which you sent us a few days ago, signed "Antonio Cinque, 209 Harrison Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.", I beg to say that same was referred to our Brooklyn office for investigation and report. I enclose herewith Deputy Commissioner Fogarty's report which explains itself.

Very truly yours,


Commissioner.

Encs.



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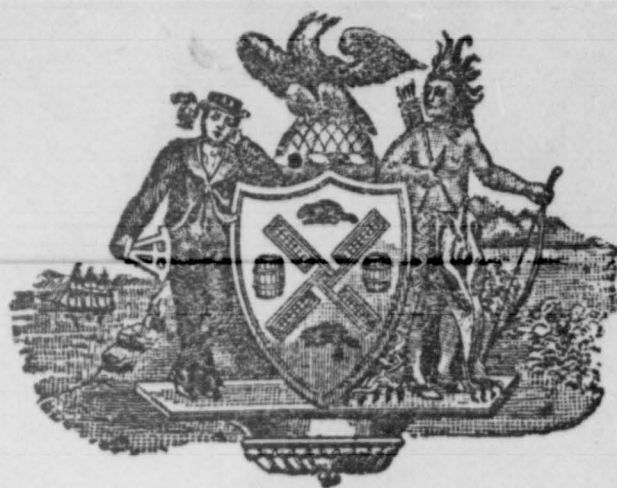
Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing herewith the Third Quarterly Report of this
department. Will you kindly see that it is sent to the City Record for publication?

Respectfully yours,

J.M.B.
J.A.N. (enclosure)

Jm McKee Borden
Secretary.



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IN ANSWERING REFER TO

December 30, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,

Mayor.

Sir: -

Referring to the enclosed letter from F. W. Gwinn, Jr.--

The capacity of the Municipal Lodging House is 700 beds for men and 49 for women and children. Last night we cared for 1461 men, women and children. Same night a year ago, 535. Excess over the Lodging House accommodations 712, men whom we had either to turn away or, in the cause of humanity, find some other means of helping. This we have been doing by sending the excess to the foot of East 26th Street and utilizing our waiting-rooms on the dock and our two steamboats located there. The extraordinary increase in applicants, even before Winter comes in, indicates a hard Winter for the destitute and which will tax the resources of this Department.

At 6 A. M., we begin receiving the day's milk and other supplies for 11,000 persons located on Blackwell's Island and Randall's Island. It is absolutely necessary that the men sleeping on the dock and on our boats should be awakened and sent over for their breakfast to the Lodging House in ample time to enable us to clean up our dock and boats, which takes about one and one-half hours. Moreover, these men have to be served breakfast before we begin with those who have slept in the Lodging House--as our dining-room capacity is limited to 100. This morning we began serving breakfast at 5 A. M. and, although our people worked as rapidly as possible, it was 8:45 before all had been helped.

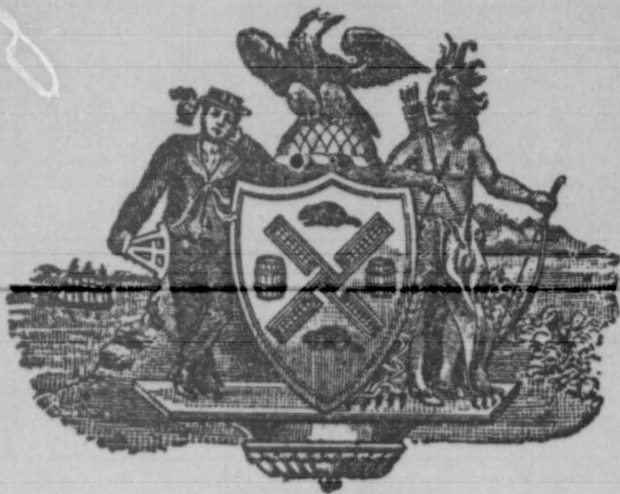
So far as the newspaper account is concerned, we know nothing about it. Our hours for awakening are-- on the Dock 4:30 A.M.; Lodging House 6 A.M.

By request, I met the Reverend Percy Stickney Grant, Rector of the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, at the Lodging House, last Friday evening. He was accompanied by two ladies, members of the Social Relief Committee of that Church. This incident furnished an evening newspaper with an opportunity to say that I gave a reception to 250 persons whose automobiles lined 25th Street from avenue to avenue. So much for newspaper exaggeration.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

MJD/RM (Enclosure)



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New York, December 30, 1913.

Honorable Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor of The City of New York.

S i r : -

In relation to the matter referred to in the letter of Mr. George H. Jackson, Secretary of the Memorial and Executive Committee of the G. A. R. in Kings County, would say that the granting of relief and the amount of same is vested in the Relief Committees of the different G. A. R. Posts.

The letter of Mr. Suskyn, Superintendent of the Bureau of Dependent Adults, Borough of Brooklyn, to Mr. Pilcher, Commander of U. S. Grand Army Post No. 327, was unwarranted and very discourteous. Mr. Suskyn was recently appointed to the position he now holds. I appointed him very reluctantly, but he was No. 1 on the eligible list for this position and I had no alternative. Mr. Batchelor who had been Acting Superintendent for some time was a gentleman and his work was entirely satisfactory, but he was not certified for permanent appointment by the Civil Service Commission.

As you know, the Brooklyn Division is in charge of Dr. Thomas L. Fogarty, Second Deputy Commissioner of Charities. I am sending him a copy of your letter as well as the letter of Mr. Jackson with a request for a prompt report.

Respectfully,

Michael J. Drummond
Commissioner.

A.P.T.
J.A.N.