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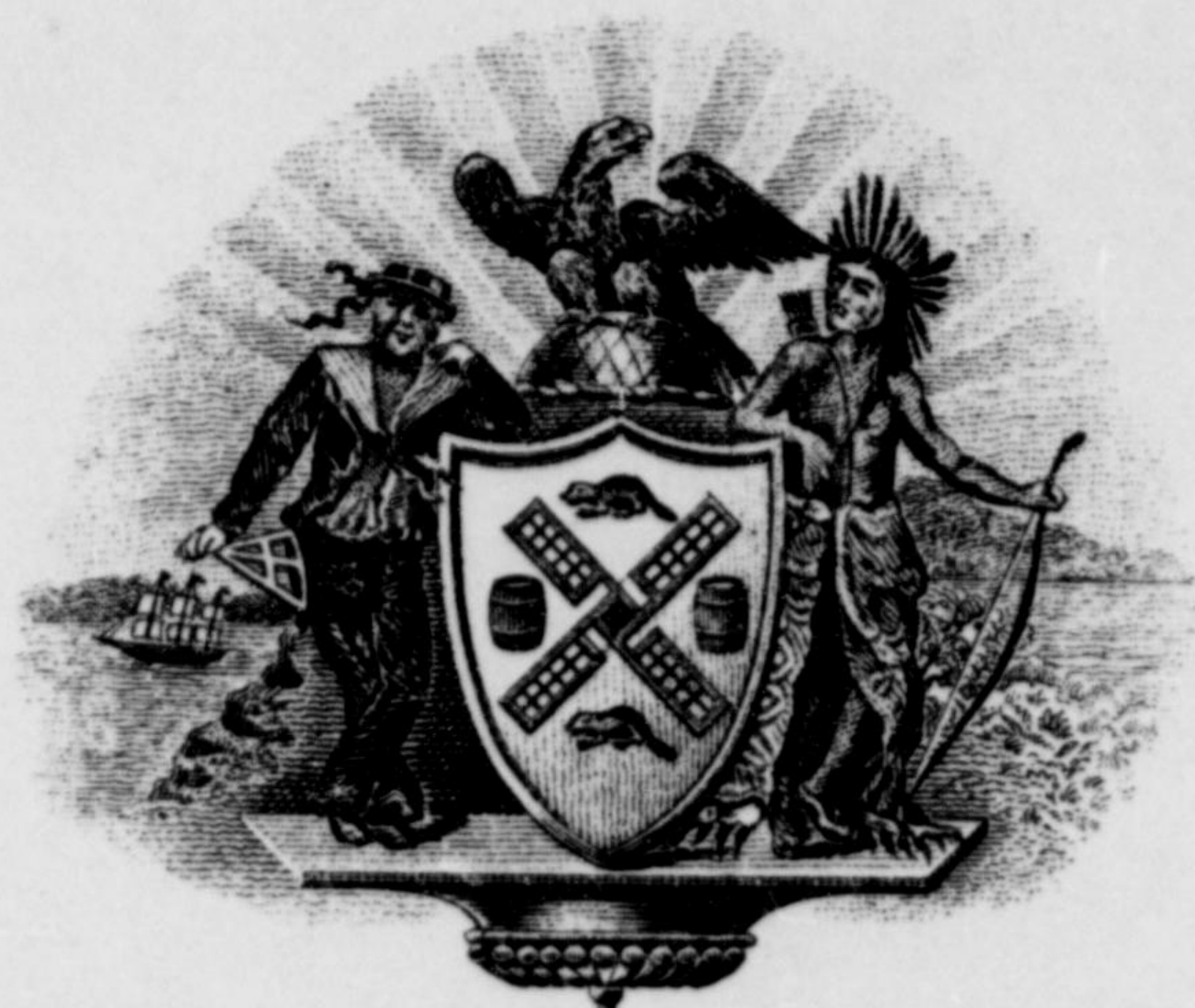
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Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees,

1st Avenue, and 26th Street,

New York, January 17th, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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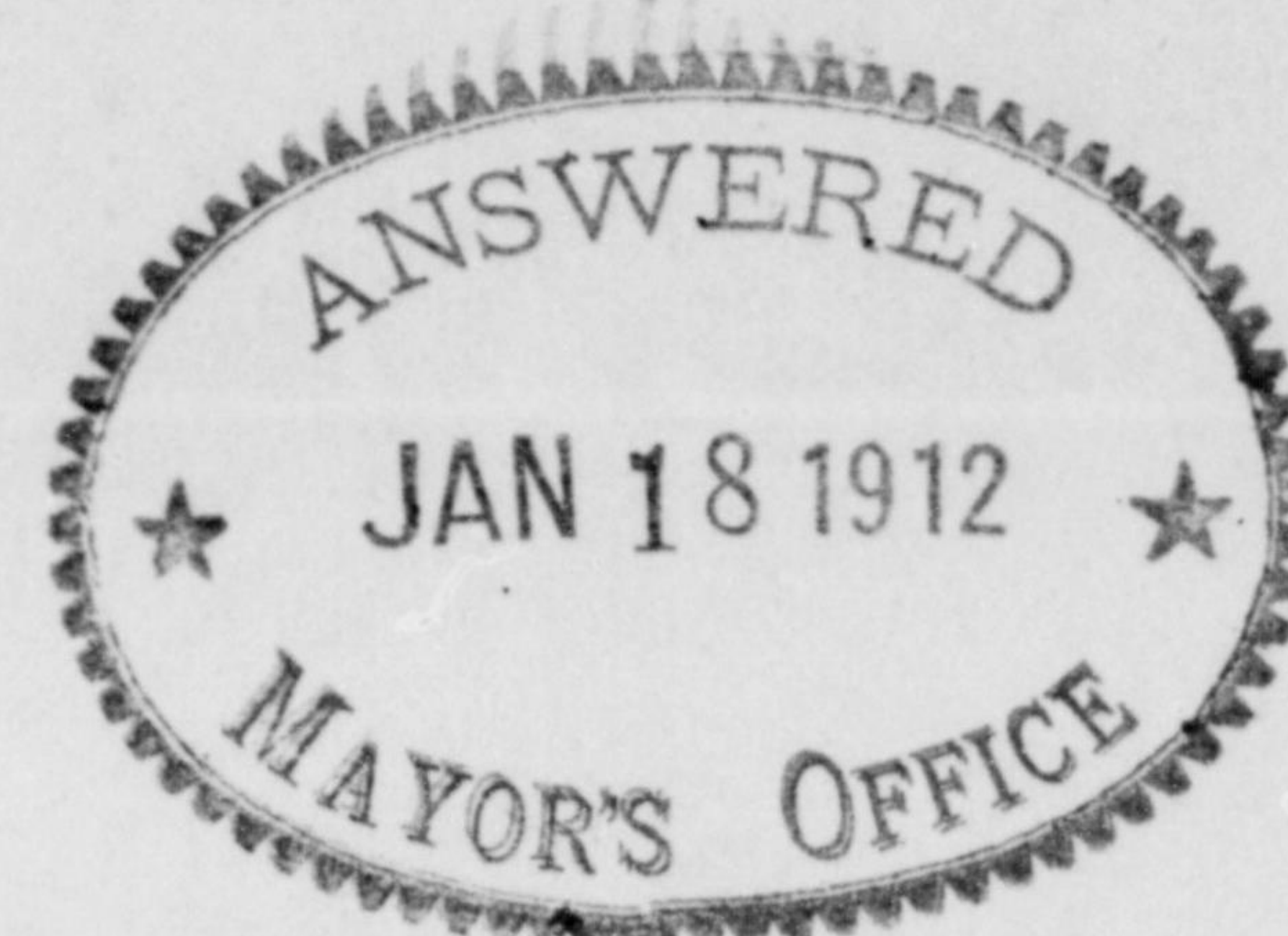
S i r :

The Trustees of Bellevue and Allied Hospitals at a meeting held yesterday afternoon asked me to inform you that a vacancy will exist in their Board on February 1st, when the term of Mr. Leopold Stern expires. Mr. Stern has proved himself a very faithful and efficient member of the Board, and he has sufficient time to give to its service. The Board of Trustees wishes me to say that it is their hope that you will see fit to reappoint him, and thus continue the opportunity for usefulness in this field which he has known so well how to utilize.

I beg to remain,

Yours respectfully,

J. K. Paulding
 Secretary, Board of Trustees.



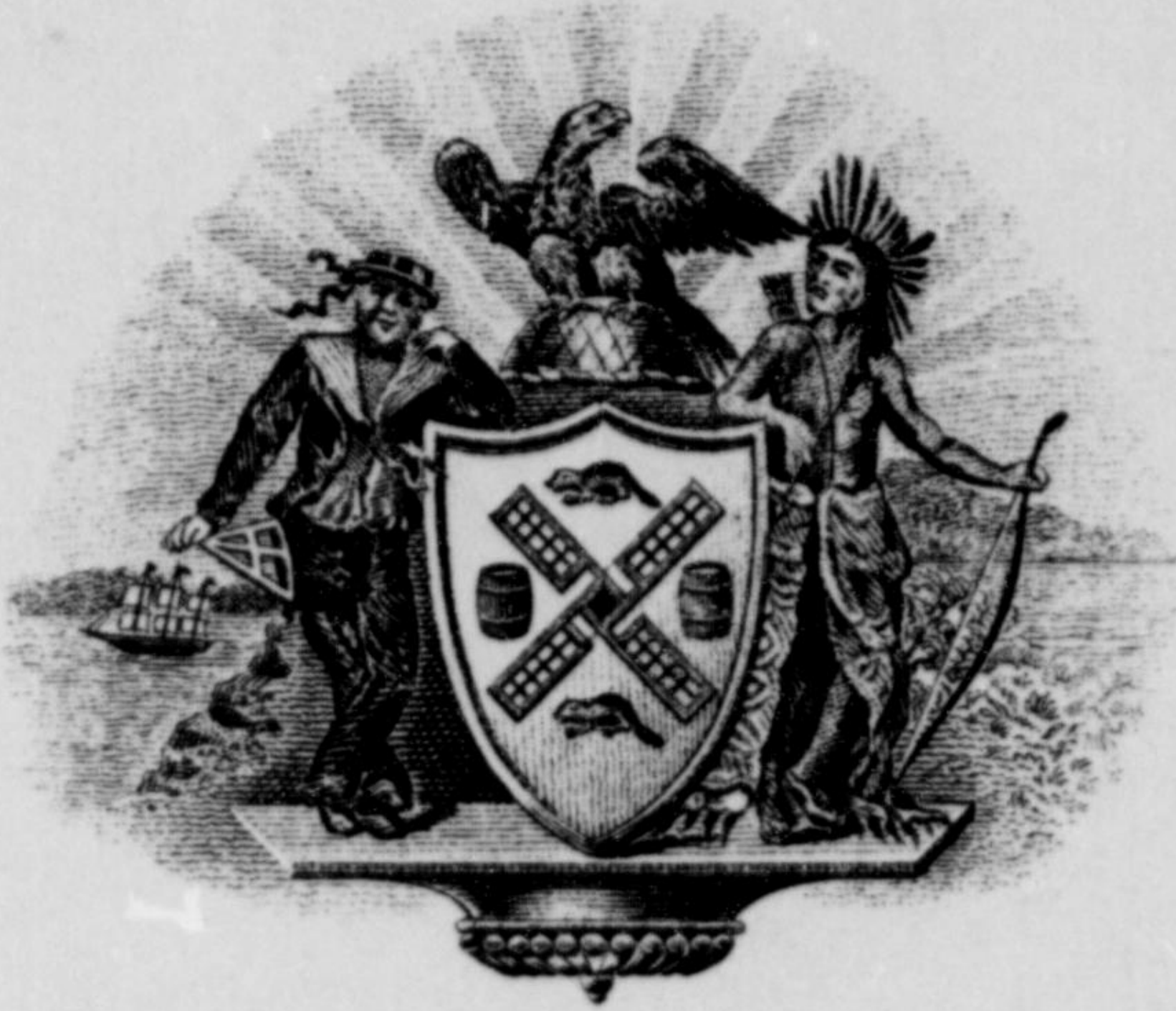
Jan. 17/1912.

RE-recommending of
Mr. Leopold Stern for
reappointment on
Board.

1 pag to Mr. Stern

Yours respectfully,

Secretary, Board of Trustees.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees,
1st Avenue and 26th Street,

New York, January 24th, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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 Mayor of the City of New York.

My dear Mr. Mayor:-

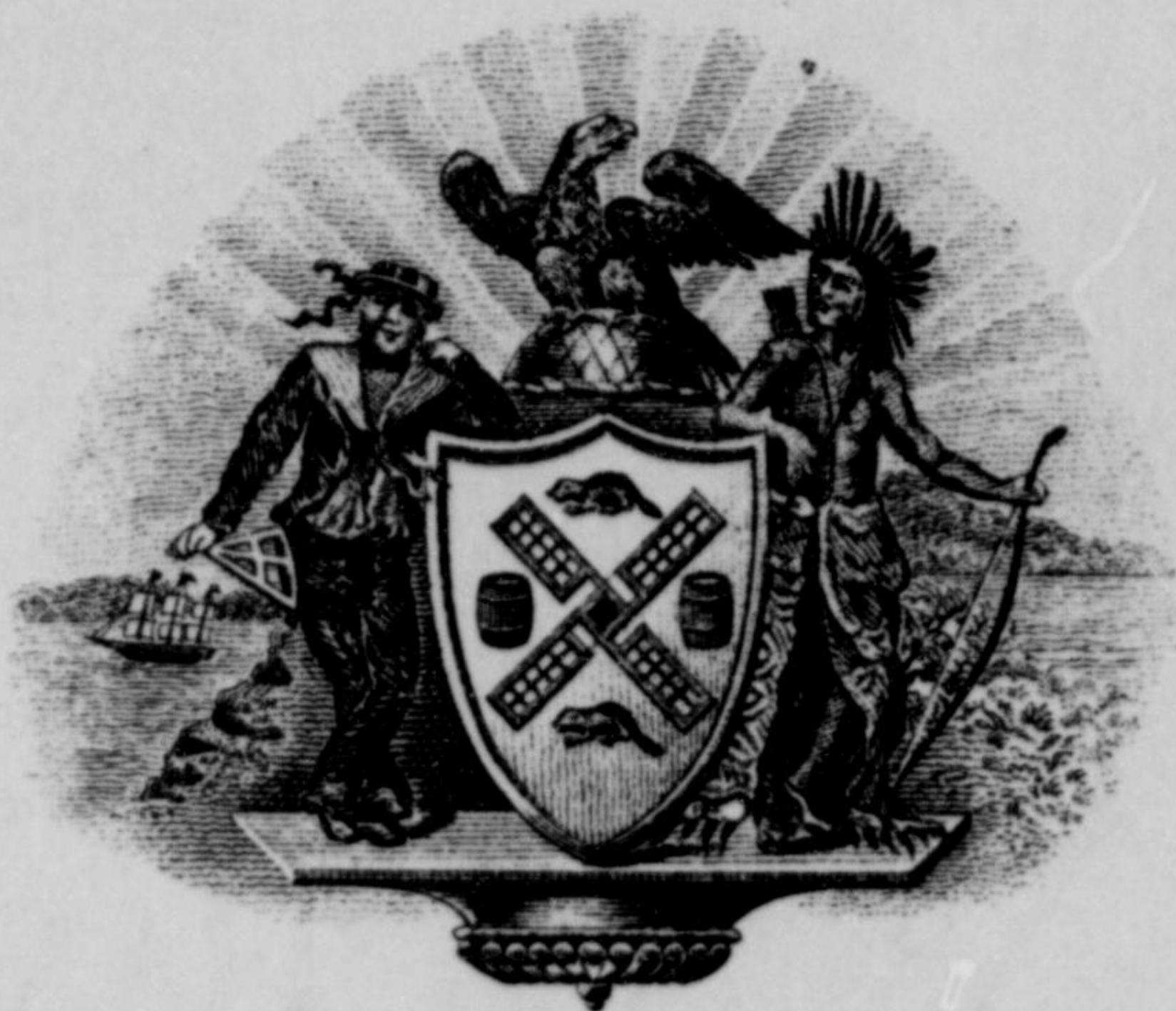
I am writing a line to thank you for your kind note informing us of your intention to reappoint Mr. Stern. This will be good news to the Board of Trustees, to whom I will present your note at our next meeting.

With very kind regards, believe me,

Very truly yours,

J. K. Paulding
 Secretary, Board of Trustees.

Jan. 24/12.
RE - reappointment
of Mr. Stern.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.

Office of The Board of Trustees,

1st Avenue and 26th Street,

New York, February 1st, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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ARDEN M. ROBBINS.
JAMES A. FARLEY,
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LEOPOLD STERN.
MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, EX-OFFICIO.

Hon. Robert Adamson,

Secretary, Office of the Mayor,

New York City.

S i r :

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of January 31st, transmitting for attention a letter of Henry McCarthy, of 149 Adams Street, Brooklyn, in which he complains of treatment accorded him in the dispensary of Bellevue Hospital. The complaint will be investigated at once and a report sent to you of the result. Thank you for bringing the matter to our attention.

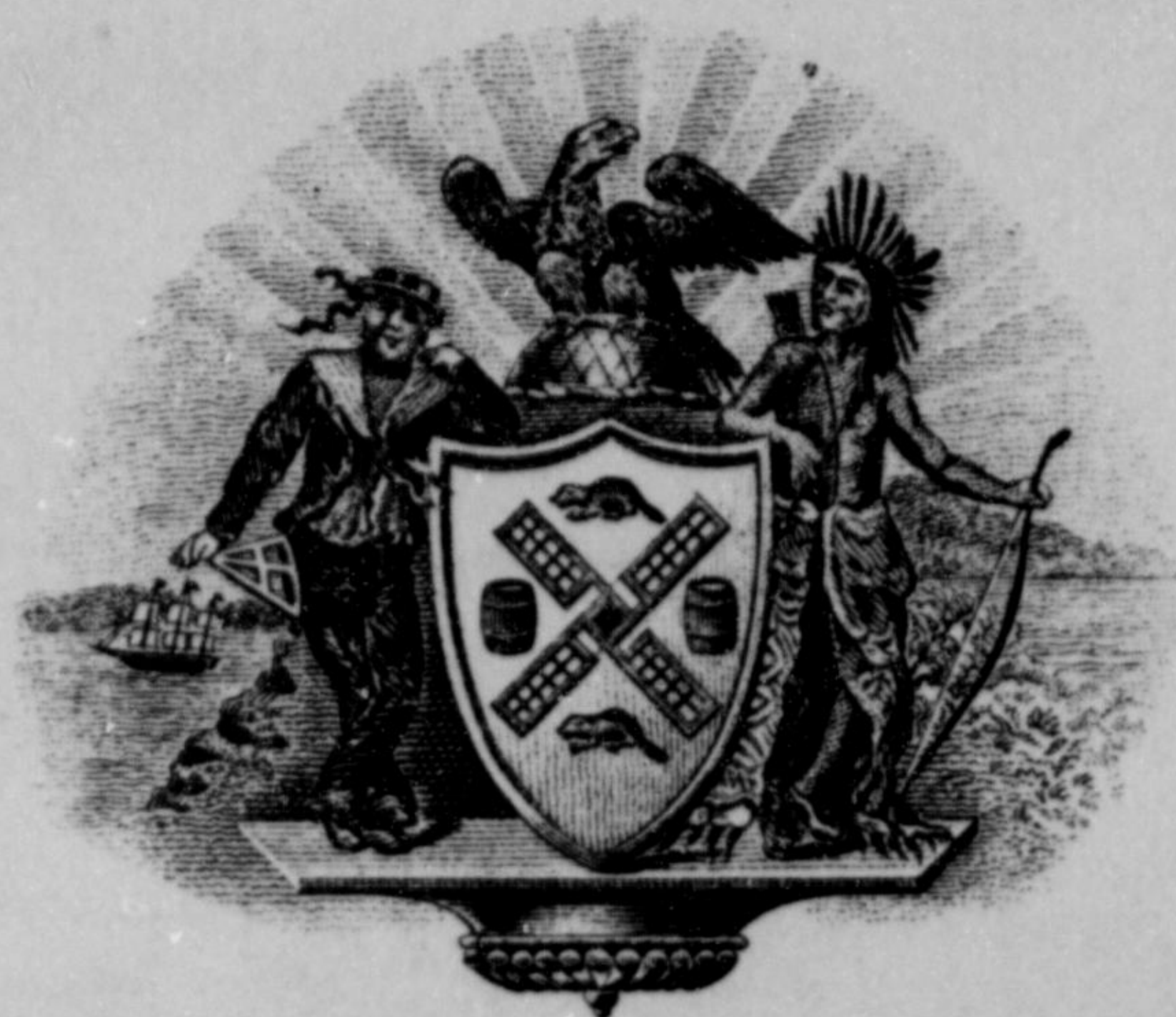
Respectfully,

John W. Brannan
President, Board of Trustees.

Feb. 1/12.

Jan. 31/12.

Recd. letter H. M. Farthy
re treatment in Dispensary.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.

Office of The Board of Trustees,

1st Avenue and 26th Street,

New York, February 9th, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
JAMES K. PAULDING, SECRETARY.
JOHN G. O'KEEFFE.
ARDEN M. ROBBINS.
JAMES A. FARLEY.
SAMUEL SACHS.
LEOPOLD STERN.
MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, EX-OFFICIO.

Hon. Robert Adamson,

Secretary, Office of the Mayor,

New York City.

S i r :

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of February 8th, with accompanying communication received from Mr. Edward O. Pedreyra of Peoria, Illinois, inquiring about his brother, William Pedreyra. There is no record of any person of this name or description having been in any of our four hospitals within the last six months. I have therefore sent your inquiry to Commissioner Drummond, in order that a search may be made of the hospitals of the Department of Public Charities.

Respectfully,

John W. Brannan
President, Board of Trustees.

Feb. 9/1912.

Feb. 8/1912.

Report on letter E. O. Pedreya,
Peoria, Ill. re to his
brother Wm. Pedreya.



GEORGE O'HANLON, M.D.
GENERAL MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

MARK L. FLEMING, M.D.
ASSISTANT MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

BELLEVUE AND ALLIED HOSPITALS.

OFFICE OF
THE GENERAL MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

BELLEVUE HOSPITAL

1ST AVENUE AND 26TH STREET.

NEW YORK CITY

February 17, 1912.

Hon. William J. Gaynor, Mayor,
City Hall,
New York City.

S i r :-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of a letter from your Secretary, under date of January 31st, to Dr. John W. Brannan, President of the Board of Trustees of Bellevue and Allied Hospitals, in which he enclosed a letter from one Henry McCarthy, of 149 Adams Street, Brooklyn, complaining of the treatment accorded him at the dispensary of Bellevue Hospital, which has been referred to me.

In reply I would inform you that we have no record of a patient named Henry McCarthy having been treated at the dispensary this year. We addressed two communications to him asking him to call here at the hospital, but have not heard from him.

Respectfully,

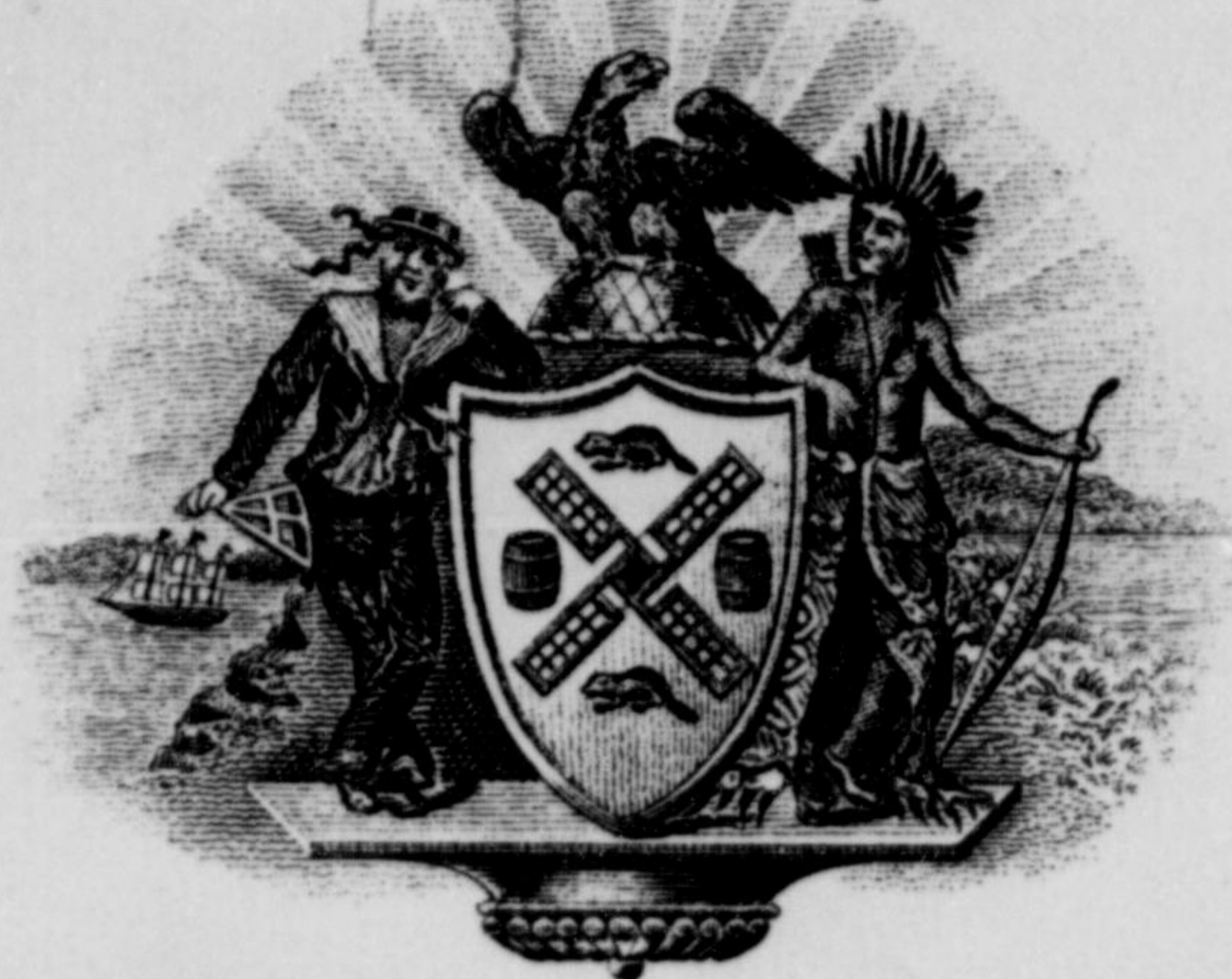
George O'Hanlon
General Medical Superintendent.

M.M.C.

Feb. 17/12.

Jan. 31/12.

Report on letter Henry
McCarthy re-treatment
at dispensary of Bellvue
Hospital.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees,

1st Avenue and 26th Street,

New York, March 1st, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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 JAMES A. FARLEY.
 SAMUEL SACHS.
 LEOPOLD STERN.
 MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, EX-OFFICIO.

Hon. Robert Adamson,
 Secretary, Office of the Mayor,
 New York City.

S i r :

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of February 26th, enclosing communication received from the Reverend R. T. Henshaw of Rye, New York, in regard to the failure of the hospital authorities to notify the friends or relatives of Frederick C. Hill, a resident of Rye who was stricken with apoplexy in this city and taken to Bellevue Hospital. I had previously heard of the circumstances through a friend and made an investigation of the case. There is no doubt that Mr. Hill was in the hospital for forty-eight hours, and that during that period his friends had not been notified. It is the rule of the hospital to notify the friends or relatives whenever in the opinion of the attending or house physician the condition of the patient has become serious. In the case of Mr. Hill all agree that he was slowly but steadily improving. On questioning the nurses, the night nurse stated that Mr. Hill said something about telephoning, but did not say to whom he wished to telephone. As she was alone in charge of 26 patients, many of them very seriously ill, and as there was no telephone in the ward, it was naturally impossible for her to comply

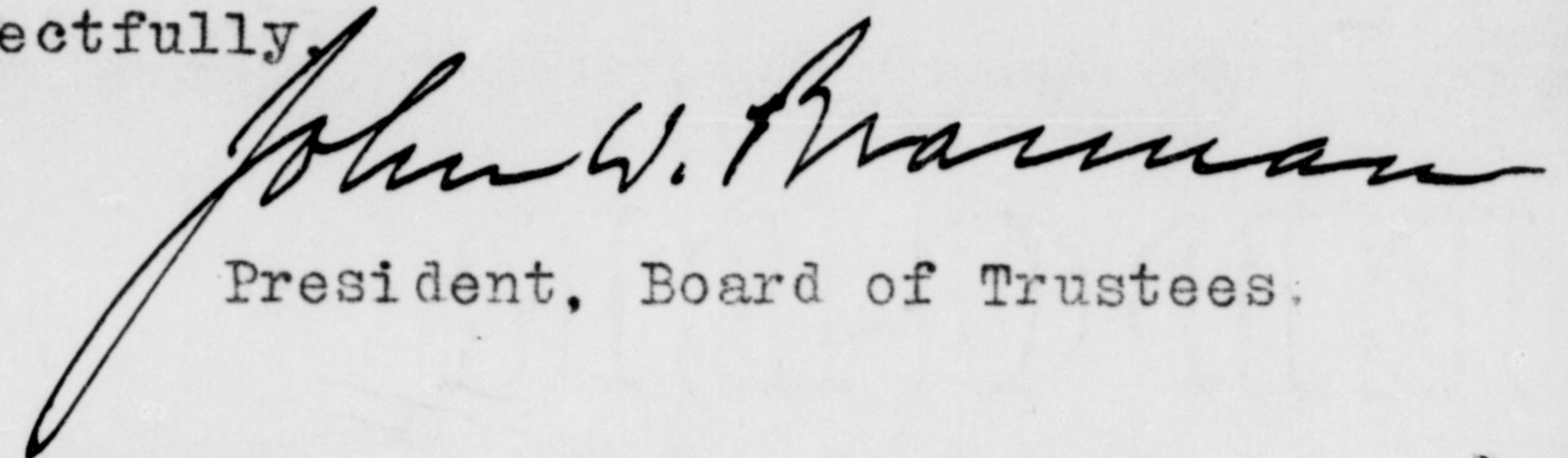
with his request, even if it had been clearly expressed. She, therefore, advised him to speak to the day nurse. Of course, she might have spoken to the day nurse herself when she went off duty at seven o'clock in the morning, but as she had a large number of other matters to report she probably did not think of it. This was also the first time she had been on night duty. The day nurse denies that Mr. Hill said anything to her whatever about telephoning, and I believe her statement. She said that she was obliged to arouse him in order to give him his nourishment. Doctor Draper, the visiting physician, also states that the mental condition of Mr. Hill was not at all clear during his first two or three days in the hospital, he being semi-comatose at times. Bellevue Hospital is a large institution; yesterday the census was 1273. The average admissions are about 100 per day, and at such times as this, when the hospital is very much overcrowded and the force of doctors and nurses and other employees is really inadequate, some patients may not get all the care that their friends think desirable.

After ascertaining the facts, I did what I usually do in such cases, that is, made inquiries to find out what is the practice in other hospitals in regard to patients who are brought in under similar circumstances. I was surprised to be told by the superintendent of one of the largest and best private hospitals in the city that it is not the custom to send word to the friends in an instance like this, unless the condition of the patient becomes very serious, or what is called urgent. I do not agree, however, with this view, and hereafter at Bellevue the friends or relatives of patients will be notified if it is possible to find them, without waiting until the condition of the

patients becomes threatening.

I believe that no complaint has been made of the treatment of Mr. Hill since he has been in the hospital. In fact, he has been put in a room by himself, although this room is usually reserved for patients whose condition is such as to demand absolute quiet.

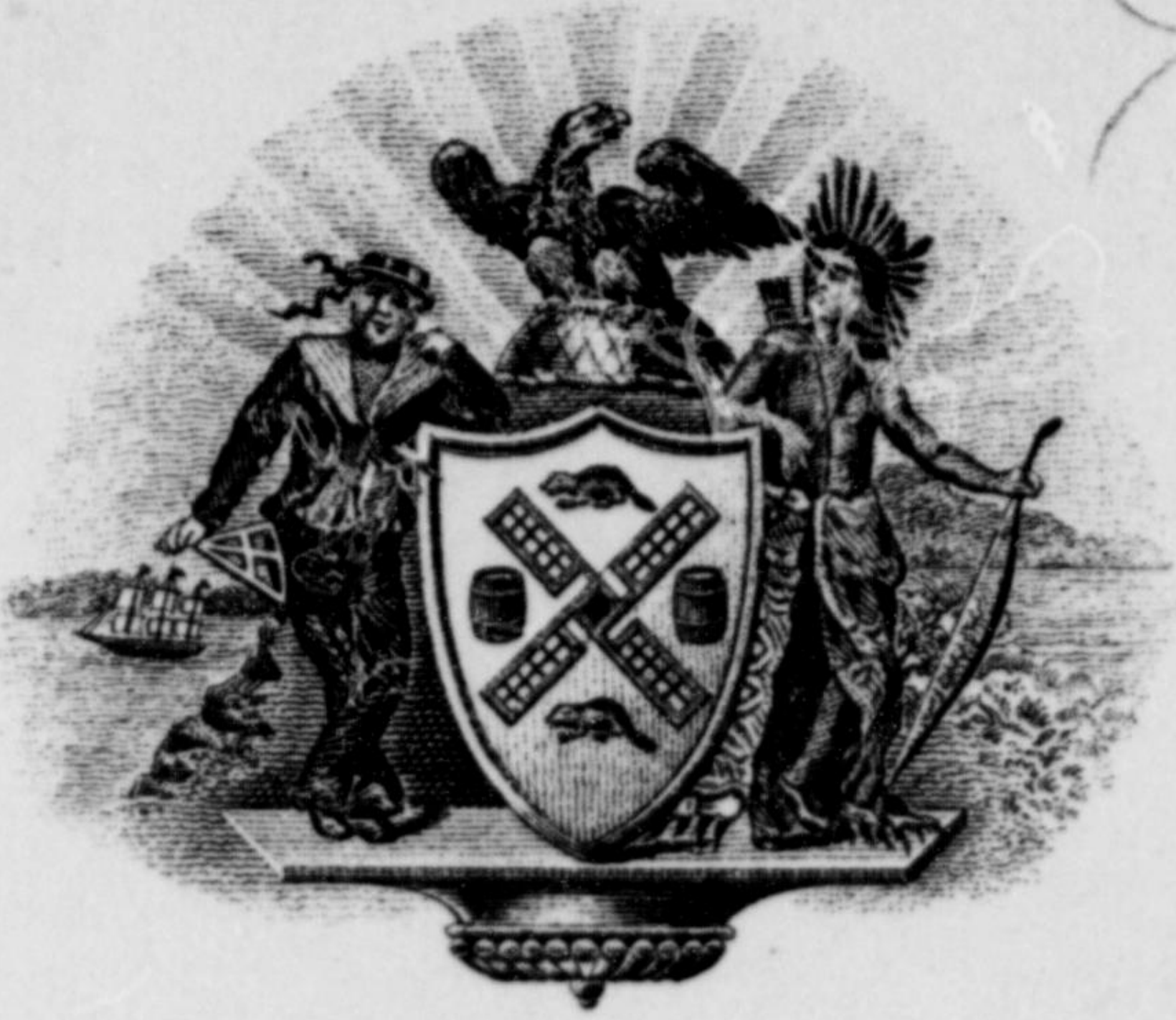
Respectfully,


President, Board of Trustees.

Mar. 1/12.

Feb. 26/12.

Report on letter Rev. R. J.
Newsham, N.Y.C. N.Y. N -
failure of hospital authorities
to notify friends of case of
J. S. Hill, who had been
stricken with apoplexy.



Bellvue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees,
1st Avenue and 26th Street,

New York, March 21st, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
 JAMES K. PAULDING, SECRETARY.
 JOHN G. O'KEEFE.
 ARDEN M. ROBBINS.
 JAMES A. FARLEY.
 SAMUEL SACHS.
 LEOPOLD STERN.
 MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, EX-OFFICIO.

Hon. William J. Gaynor,
 Mayor of the City of New York.

S i r :

In reply to your letter of March 18th, I beg to state that the communication received from Mrs. Fox was drawn to the attention of Mr. Donnelly, who this morning presented the enclosed letter from Mrs. Fox stating that the bill of ten dollars had been paid. The letter which you received from Mrs. Fox is also attached.

Respectfully,

John W. Brannan
 President, Board of Trustees.

March 21 / 1912.

March 18 / 1912.

Report on letter Mrs. For. re-
debt of \$10. owed by Mr. Donnelly
which has been paid.

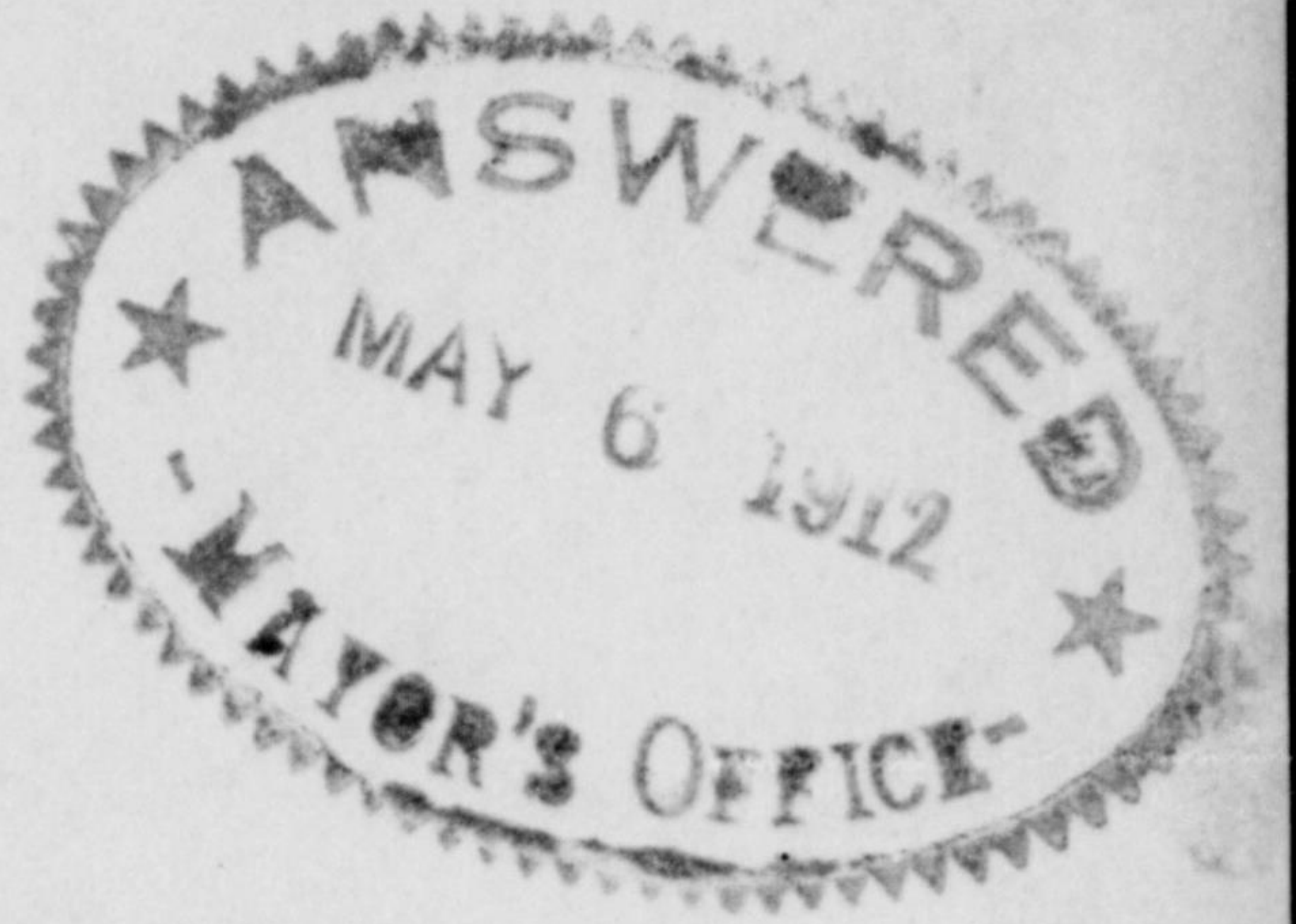


BELLEVUE AND ALLIED HOSPITALS.

BELLEVUE HOSPITAL.

OFFICE OF TRAINING SCHOOLS,

1ST AVENUE AND 26TH STREET.



NEW YORK, May 1, 1912. 191

To His Honor, the Mayor,

Dear Sir:

We have with regret to announce from our Board of Managers, the resignation of Miss Harriet Fellowes, due to illhealth, whose term of office would expire February 1st.

We earnestly request to fill her place, the appointment of Mrs. Alexander Lambert, 36 East 31st Street.

Mrs. Lambert has worked for some years on the Social Service Bureau, and is therefore thoroughly familiar with the hospital problems, and we feel she would be a great addition to our Board.

If, however, this does not meet with your approval, pursuant to our contract with the City, we will submit three names for this vacancy.

Respectfully yours,

Alice Osborn
President Board of Managers
Bellevue Training School for Nurses

Mrs William Church Osborn
40 East 36th Street.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.

Office of The Board of Trustees,

1st Avenue and 26th Street,

New York,

May 1, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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ARDEN M. ROBBINS.
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MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, EX-OFFICIO.

Hon. Robert Adamson,

Secretary, Office of the Mayor,

New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of April 26th, transmitting communication received from Miss Nellie Feltwell, care of General Delivery, Hot Springs, Arkansas, relative to her alleged treatment and experience while an inmate of Bellevue and other hospitals in this city.

It is probable that you have not read Miss Feltwell's letter because of its length and the fact that it was difficult to read, having been written by hand. I therefore enclose a typewritten copy, and would ask you to read it at least in part, believing that if you do you will be convinced that the statements hardly indicate a person of well-balanced mind. There is nothing in the letter which would show at what time she was in Bellevue Hospital, but our records will be searched and I will send you a statement of all the facts which we have in regard to her case.

Thank you for bringing the matter to our attention.

Very truly yours,

John W. Brannan
President, Board of Trustees.

Hot Springs, Ark.

Mayor Gaynor:

My dear Sir:

Owing to my present situation I am obliged to write to you, as I believe you can obtain some assistance for me there.

I have lived in New York City for the past two years and was always under my mother's name as I lived with her people (Barclays), until I was sent to my father's people who wanted me to change it to his name (Feltwell). I have been ill with a blood disease since I was fourteen years old due to my uncle, Ira Barclay, taking me on trips and introducing me to a society of his own liking (a lot of politicians) he being a county commissioner (at the same time using \$2,500 my mother left me. The am't has increased to \$5,000 now at the rate of interest it was deposited at. I just took proceedings against him three weeks ago, but haven't had time for results thus far. I made my living in various ways in New York City, sometimes selling books and sometimes office work. Have also sang and played guitar and banjo. I lived most of the time with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fisher, 508 West 145th Street. They are members of St. Luke's Episcopal Church. He was once a broker in Wall Street and they know something about the mistreatment of Bellevue hospital toward me. Knowing I have no parents they took interest in that part. I finished all high school branches, entered State Normal College where I finished the first year, for reference address Dr. J. R. Flickinger, Lock Haven, Pa. Now the point I am calling your attention to is this,- I was being treated by a well known specialist, Dr. Lonipold in Jersey, who said if he didn't help me he would ask no fee. I was improving when Miss Minor, a charity worker (to whom I had applied for assistance and some position where I wouldn't have to work so hard)

put herself into my affairs enough to coax me away from my doctor to the charity dispensary and said those students there knew more than my doctor who had practiced for years. This was Mt. Sinai where they examined my blood and pronounced me cured (as it was their habit to get out of all the extra work they could. This left me without a drop of medicine from May until October when I got weaker and weaker until I dropped on the street in fainting spells. During the time I was in the hands of Bellevue "students", I say students as the Professors never examined me at all. I had a worse relapse and nervous breakdown and went on into the third stage of my illness.

I applied here to the Charities, here for assistance and they said New York was responsible for my welfare until I regain my health. My brother and I have used up a home our grand-parents left us and he deprived his family of food to send me here to take the baths as it was the last and only way for me to regain my health. Now I wrote Miss Minor and she refused to help me any. A charity worker wrote her and she answered the letter saying I went under an assumed name and that I was insane. I saw my chart in Bellevue and read it all thro; That read "Patient is very nervous; liable to go insane". I threatened to report some of their brutal treatment to city authorities and had some parties come there to see ~~me~~ how they treated me and they put me in the insane ward for two days trying to make me think I was insane but I wrote to my doctor to come in and see me. He came in and he saw my chart also. The reason they tried to make me out insane was because they had made a blunder by sending me home without an examination and they were afraid I would bring a damage suit against the city and turn a lot of the Bellevue Med. Staff out of practice and they tho't if they made me think I was **insane** I would be afraid to say anything against them. If I don't receive

help from the charities there I certainly will enter a suit of damage, as it is an outrageous thing to wreck a girl's whole life the way they did mine. I will now have to take medicine all my life and will perhaps never be as strong as I was before. Furthermore I have always carried out my doctor's instructions in behaving myself like a lady, can prove myself such wherever I have been. I have no means of support here at all. I will send you my doctor's report regarding my sanity. He will also state what treatment I need here. They tho't (I had no parents) at Bellevue to come in and complain like others do so they treated me as they liked.

I am, yours very respect'y,

Nellie Feltwell.

C/o Gen'l Delivery,

Hot Springs, Ark.

P. S.: I want this thoroughly understood so I will make it plain. I was taken from Miss Minor's house in an ambulance to Bellevue Hospital, was there four weeks, got worse all the time, was discharged and dropped on the street, was taken back, kept there until my skin turned purple with that poison I spoke of or the blood disease before they gave me a drop of medicine and the only reason they sent me to the insane ward was because I had threatened to make this neglect known. They were also of the opinion I was going to die and they thought nobody would ever know about it. (The ward maid told me of this). I can prove every word I am saying too, with more of the brutal treatment than my time and space will afford to write about. My attorney was in the place a few times and he saw how the nurses treated me when I was suffering and would ask for anything. I am awaiting

assistance from those who did me harm. My doctor's address is

Dr. Koch

Central Ave,

Hot Springs, Ark.

He will vouch for my sanity and if I ever hear of that Miss Minor writing such a thing about me again I shall arrest her for slander in behalf of my character.

Nellie Feltwell.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees,

1st Avenue and 26th Street,

New York, May 2, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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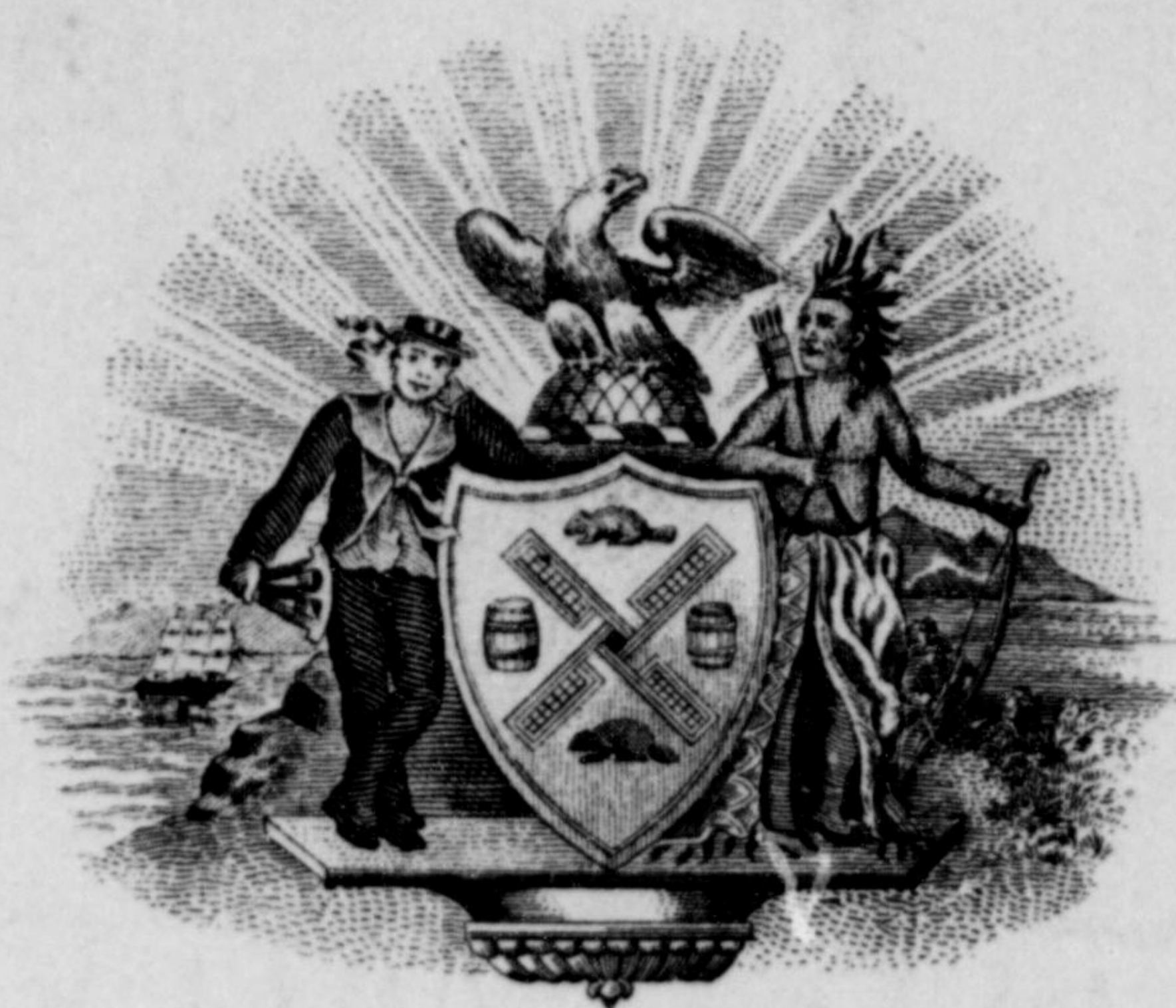
Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 30th, and to reply that a careful search of our records shows that we have no patient by the name of William Feeney in any of our hospitals. We learned that you had written the Board of Health direct for this information. We communicated with the Secretary of the Department of Public Charities, who will let you know if the patient is traced in that Department.

The letter which you received from Mrs. Feeney is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

John W. Brannan
 President, Board of Trustees.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.

Office of The Board of Trustees.

1st Avenue, and 26th Street.

New York, May 16th, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
JAMES K. PAULDING, SECRETARY.
LEOPOLD STERN.
JOHN G. O'KEEFE.
ARDEN M. ROBBINS.
JAMES A. FARLEY.
SAMUEL SACHS.
MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, EX-OFFICIO.

Hon. Robert Adamson,

Secretary, Office of the Mayor,

New York City.

Sir :

Your letter of April 30th, transmitting communication from the Comptroller regarding the new system of cost and expense accounting, was presented to the Trustees at their last meeting, and was referred to the Finance Committee with directions to make the comparisons you refer to. The new accounting system has been in use in this Department for the past two years, and we observe that the Comptroller transmitted to you with his letter a copy of the monthly report of this Department for January, 1912, as a "practical illustration of the administrative value of these expense classifications". It is our intention to utilize in every way possible for the better administration of the Department the information which the monthly comparative cost reports provide.

Respectfully,

John W. Brannan
President, Board of Trustees.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees.

1st Avenue, and 26th Street.

New York, May 18th, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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Hon. William J. Gaynor,

Mayor of the City of New York.

S i r :

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of May 14th relative to the complaint from Louis Stemple that, having advertised for a position as apothecary, he received an answer from the apothecary of Gouverneur Hospital, inviting him to call in reference to such employment, at the end of which letter was the phrase "must be a Christian". On investigation, I find that one of the assistant apothecaries at Gouverneur had told the chief apothecary, George S. Yaeger, that he might resign. Mr. Yaeger observed the advertisement referred to, and of his own volition wrote and asked the man to call. As shown in his letter, he admits adding the words "must be a Christian", but states that he did not intend it to be literally interpreted, his desire being to secure a competent man who could speak good English. Mr. Yaeger could not offer the man employment, as all appointments at Gouverneur Hospital are made by the Trustees upon the recommendation of the General Medical Superintendent. A statement received from Miss Stowers, the Supervising Nurse at Gouverneur, is also attached. Mr. Yaeger exceeded his authority and will be properly disciplined therefor.

Respectfully,

John W. Brannan
 President, Board of Trustees.

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Bellevue and Allied Hospitals

GOUVERNEUR HOSPITAL

New York

May 16th, 1912

George O'Hanlon, M.D.

General Medical Superintendent,

Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.

Sir:-

Enclosed find report of Mr. Yaeger, in regard to a postal he sent out in answer to an advertisement, relative to a position in the drug room, at this Institution.

In engaging employees, it is not customary to ask them their faith or creed and at present we have several different nationalities, represented, in various positions, throughout the Institution.

It is absolutely necessary to have an Assistant Druggist who can speak either German or Hebrew.

Respectfully,

JESSIE A. STOWERS.

Supervising Nurse.

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Bellevue and Allied Hospitals

GOUVERNEUR HOSPITAL

George O'Hanlon, M.D.

Superintendent "Bellevue & Allied Hospitals"

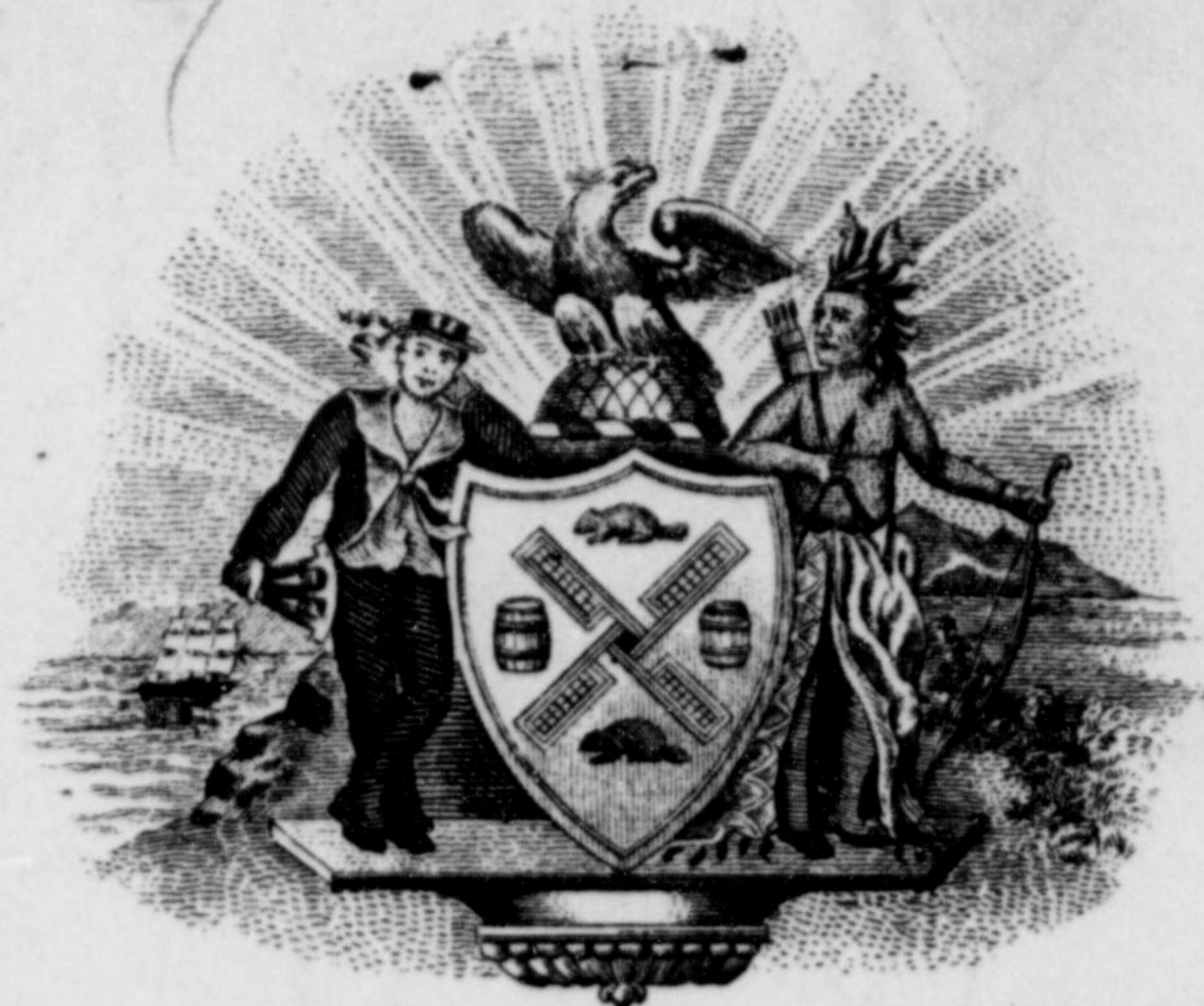
Dear Doctor:-

In compliance with your request, to answer in reference to "Postal Card" written and sent by me, with the inscription "Must be a Christian"; beg to state that morally I did not intend it as it was literally interpreted; my meaning was a citizen having a good English knowledge. I am not opposed to any creed or nationality, mean to be fair to all mankind, keeping uppermost in my mind my duty to my division, and the interest of the Department.

Respectfully,

Geo. S. Yaeger.

Apothecary.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.

Office of The Board of Trustees.

1st Avenue, and 26th Street.

New York, May 20th, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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Hon. Robert Adamson,

Secretary, Office of the Mayor,

New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to my letter of May 1st relative to letter received from Miss Nellie Feltwell, care of General Delivery, Hot Springs, Arkansas, I beg to state that our records show that this patient was admitted to Bellevue Hospital on November 29th, 1911, under the name of Helen Barclay. She was discharged on December 14th and re-admitted on December 16th, 1911, and was transported to Altoona, Pa. by the State Board of Charities on January 11th, 1912. The diagnosis of her case was acute salpingitis and hysteria. During her second stay in the hospital she was for several days under observation in the psychopathic ward. The General Medical Superintendent made a summary of her history a copy of which is attached.

Very truly yours,

John W. Brannan
President, Board of Trustees.

May 20th, 1912.

Dr. B. Raymond Hoobler,
131 East 67th Street,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Hoobler:-

A few days after receiving your letter of May 9th, I had a long talk with Dr. Lambert and found that he is not at all opposed to your appointment, although he thought that there might be difficulty with President Butler. I have sent him a copy of your letter and asked him if he wishes me to write or see President Butler about it.

Very truly yours,

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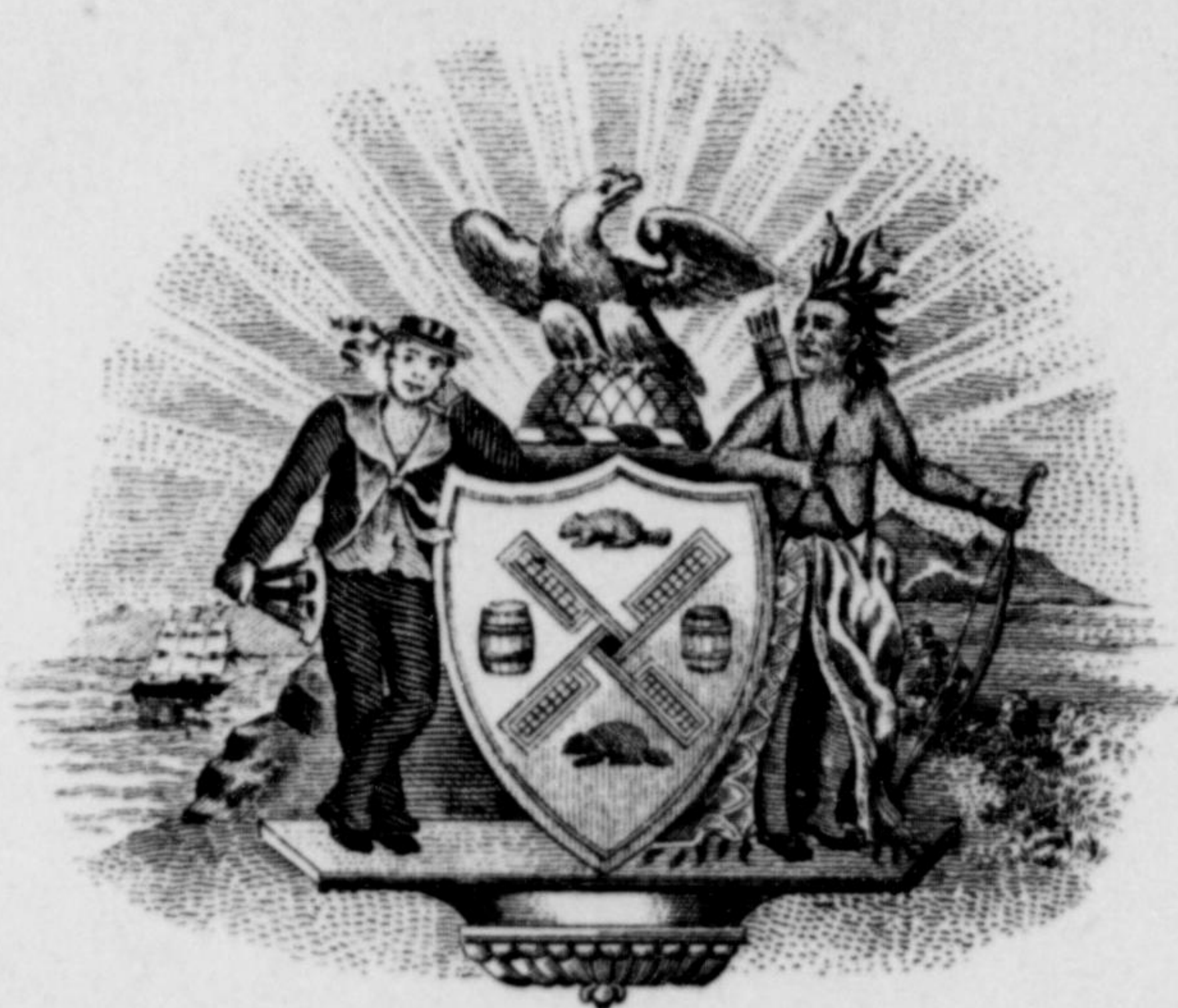
Helen Barclay - U. S., 18 years of age, admitted to Bellevue Hospital November 29, 1911, with a history of having had a venereal infection at the age of 13, accompanied at that time by sharp stabbing pains on both sides of lower abdomen. Under treatment these pains subsided but returned at intervals during the past five years. Pelvic pain became much more severe one year ago when the patient came to the hospital for a short time; since then she has been going to the dispensary until her admission to the hospital on the 29th of November.

While in the hospital she was troubled with insomnia, and had severe pains in her head and abdomen. She was nervous, and for this reason was transferred to the Psychopathic Ward where she was under observation for several days, being returned to the medical way with a diagnosis of hysteria.

Her case was investigated by the State Board of Alienists, and the patient was returned to Altoona, Penna., on January 11, 1912.

Miss Miner, of the Waverly Home, states that they have done a great deal for this girl in sending her to the country, paying her board, etc.; that she has apparently been irresponsible for some time, and she recently had a letter from Miss Barclay in Hot Springs asking that the Waverly Home continue to provide maintenance for her there. Miss Miner wrote both Miss Barclay and the Charity Organization in Hot Spings that they had already done so much for the girl, and being under no obligations to her, could no longer contribute to her support.

From her own statement at the time of her last admission to the hospital the present mental and physical condition are apparently due to a venereal infection acquired at the age of 13.



DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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 MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, EX-OFFICIO.

Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees.

1st Avenue, and 26th Street.

New York, July 13th, 1912.

Hon. Robert Adamson,

Secretary, Office of the Mayor,

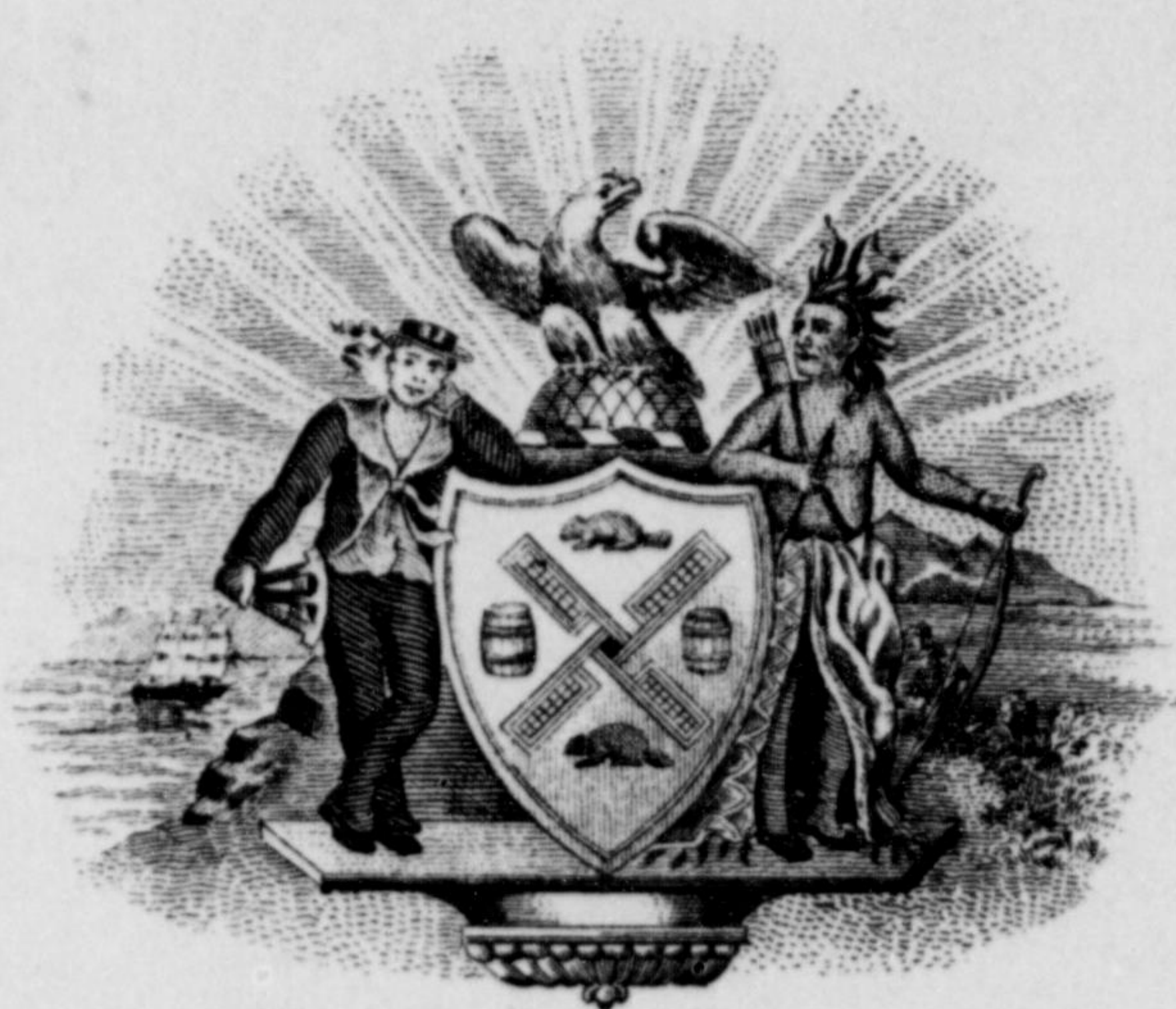
New York City.

S i r :

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 12th, transmitting a communication received from Samuel S. Greenbaum, of 122 West 27th Street, complaining of the action of an ambulance doctor. The matter will be investigated at once and a report sent to you. Thank you for bringing it to our attention.

Respectfully,

John W. Brannan
 President, Board of Trustees.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees.

1st Avenue, and 26th Street.

New York, July 31st, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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 JOHN G. O'KEEFE.
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 MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, EX-OFFICIO.

Hon. Robert Adamson,

Office of the Mayor,

City Hall, New York City.

My dear Mr. Adamson:-

I have your letter of July 27th, in regard to the salary of Mr. White. This has been the subject of consideration at several of our meetings, and a request for an increase of salary for him has been included in our departmental estimate for 1913. The amount asked would appear to the Trustees to be fair and proper, although it may not be in entire accord with the wishes of Mr. White.

Very truly yours,

John W. Brannan



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees.

1st Avenue, and 26th Street.

New York, August 22nd, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
 JAMES K. PAULDING, SECRETARY.
 LEOPOLD STERN.
 JOHN G. O'KEEFE.
 ARDEN M. ROBBINS.
 JAMES A. FARLEY.
 SAMUEL SACHS.
 MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, EX-OFFICIO.

Hon. James Matthews,

Executive Secretary,

Office of the Mayor, New York City.

S i r :

Last week, during my temporary absence, Doctor Cleveland H. Shutt called at Bellevue Hospital and presented your letter of introduction to Doctor Fleming, the Assistant General Superintendent. Doctor Fleming conducted Doctor Shutt through the hospital in order that he might see both the old and new buildings. He also explained to him all the details of administration. Doctor Shutt is to visit our other institutions and to call again at Bellevue. We shall be very glad to be of assistance to him in every possible way.

Respectfully,

John W. Brannan
 President, Board of Trustees.



GEORGE O'HANLON, M.D.
GENERAL MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.
MARK L. FLEMING, M.D.
ASSISTANT MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

BELLEVUE AND ALLIED HOSPITALS.

OFFICE OF
THE GENERAL MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

BELLEVUE HOSPITAL

1ST AVENUE AND 26TH STREET.

NEW YORK CITY

September 21st, 1912

Honorable William J. Gaynor,

City Hall,

New York City.

Dear Mayor Gaynor:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 19th inst., relative to Doctor Morrison.

When brought to the Hospital, the doctor was, as you know, in a condition of almost complete mental and physical breakdown. However, he promptly rallied with rest, sleep and treatment, so that he has already made considerable improvement. He is still, however, far from being well and requires prolonged rest and freedom from care and work. I quite agree with Doctor Browning that at least six months' withdrawal from his duties will be necessary, and I fear perhaps, it might even require a longer time for complete restoration.

The doctor is so enthusiastic in his work, that a return to his duties would be quite detrimental, especially in view of the fact that his present somewhat fanciful ideas are the direct outgrowth of his activities in connection with the work of the Farm Colony for Inebriates.

I delayed answering your note until I had interviewed his relatives, who, you had intimated in your letter, were coming to see me.

Late Friday afternoon, Mrs. Morrison and Mrs. Fletcher came to the Hospital, and seemed displeased that the doctor had been sent here. They

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Honorable William J. Gaynor.

expressed a desire to take him out at once, apparently not fully realizing the gravity of his condition. I endeavored to communicate with you for instructions and Judge Mc Adoo advised that inasmuch as he was unable to reach you then, to persuade Mrs. Morrison to leave the doctor here until to-day (Saturday). This morning Mrs. Fletcher and Mrs. Morrison came to the Hospital with Doctor Tucker, Doctor Morrison's family physician, and stated that they had made arrangements to take the doctor to Hicksville, Long Island, and leave him under the care of a physician there.

In view of the doctor's condition, I hesitated to comply with their request, as I was sceptical regarding their ability to control him and get him to go there, although he had promised to do so. I accordingly communicated with Judge Mc Adoo, who advised that, inasmuch as the request came from his wife and family physician, there was no other alternative.

The doctor left the Hospital in a motor car, at 1 P. M., in company of Mrs. Morrison, Doctor Tucker and Mrs. Fletcher, to go to Hicksville, Long Island.

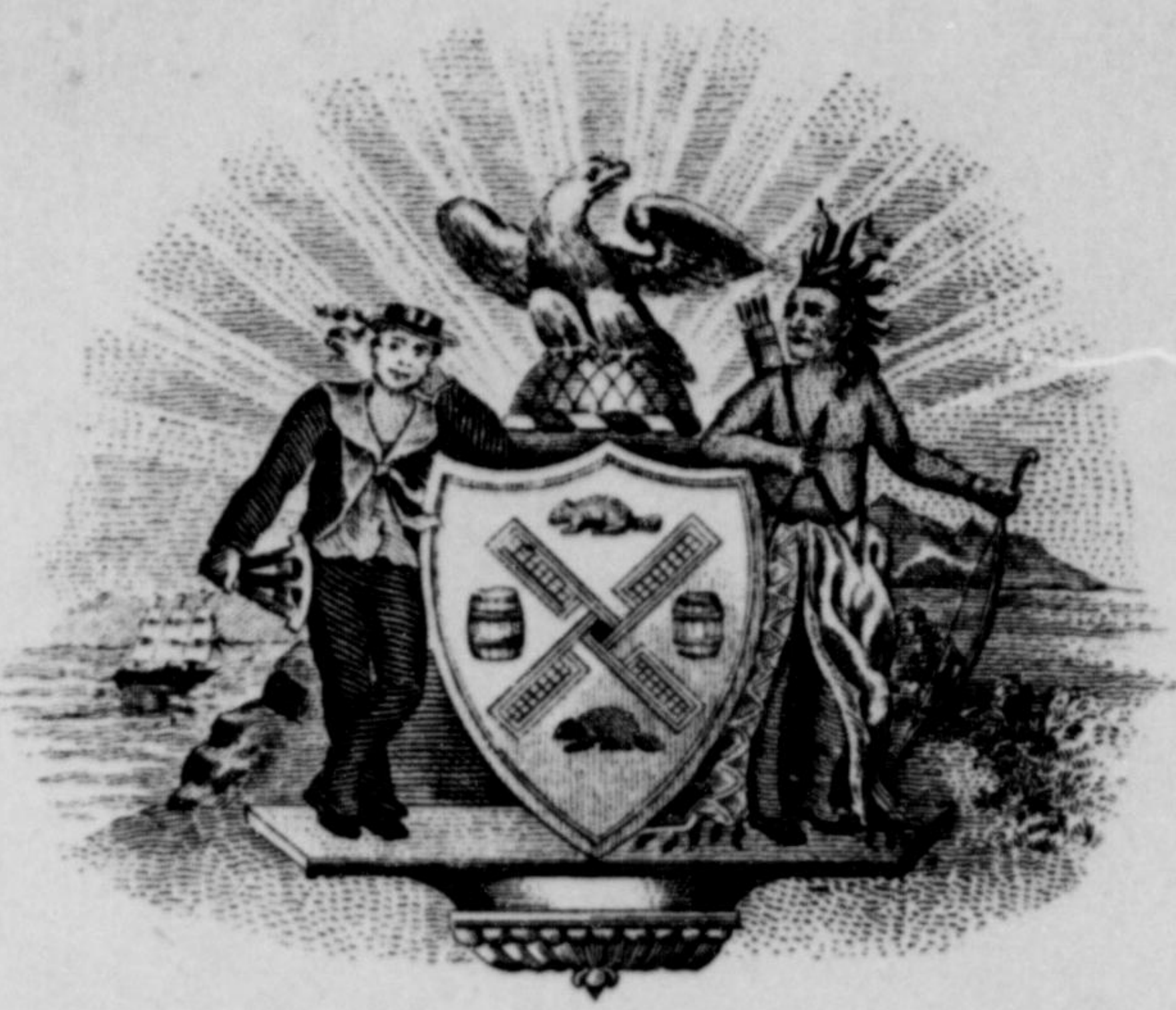
I beg to add that Doctor Morrison became irritable and somewhat indignant at his confinement and had been demanding his freedom.

I have not gone into details as to the doctor's illness, but shall hold myself in readiness to give any further information Your Honor may desire.

I beg to remain,

Very respectfully,

M. B. Gaynor
Resident Alienist.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees.

1st Avenue, and 26th Street.

New York, October 1st, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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Hon. W. J. Gaynor,

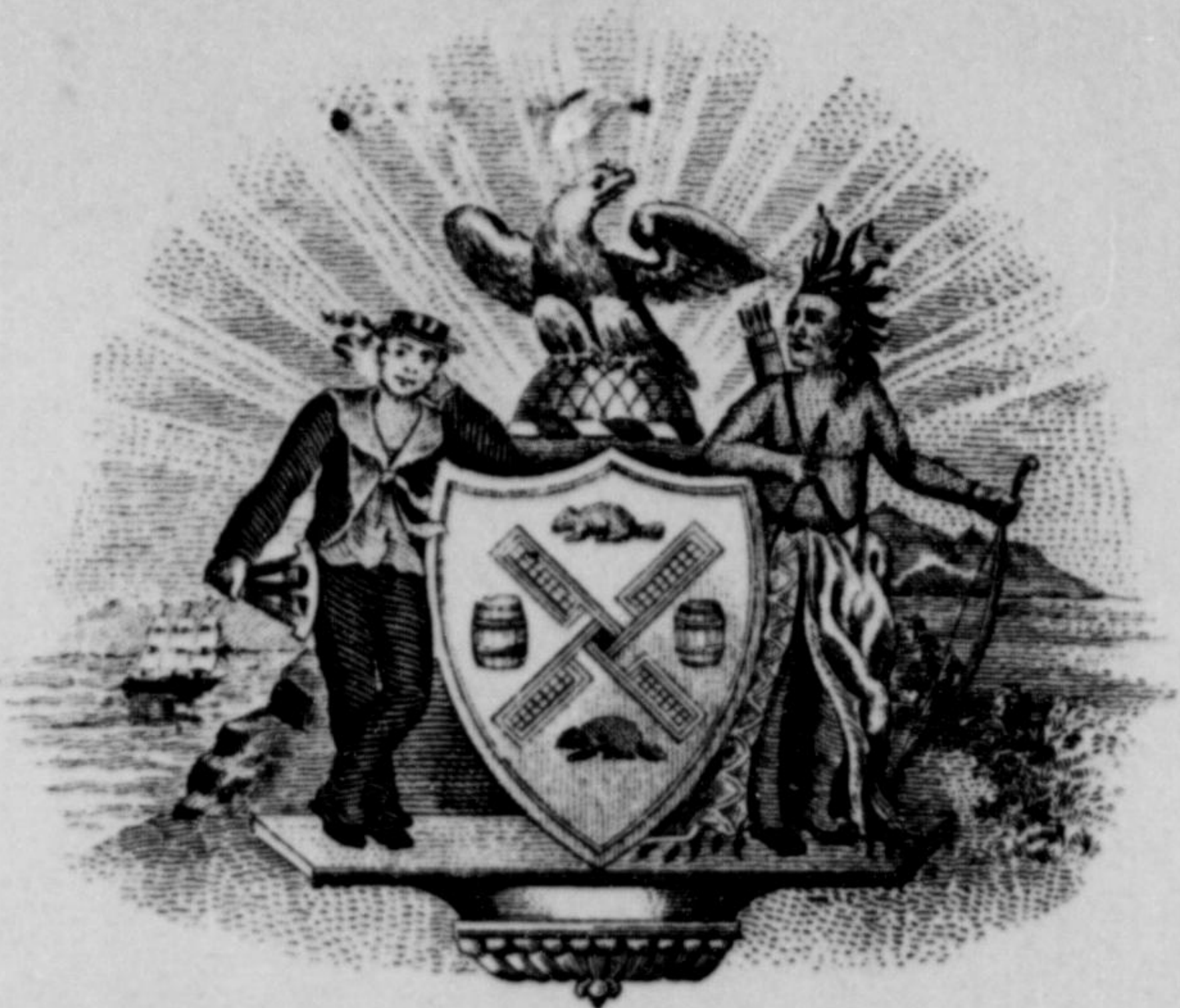
Mayor of the City of New York.

S i r :

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of September 30th, transmitting a communication received from Doctor Leopold H. R. Hibbe of 150 East 27th Street. The complaint will be investigated at once and a report sent to you. Thank you for bringing the matter to our attention.

Respectfully,

John W. Brannan
 President, Board of Trustees.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees.

1st Avenue and 26th Street.

New York, October 2nd, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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Hon. W. J. Gaynor,

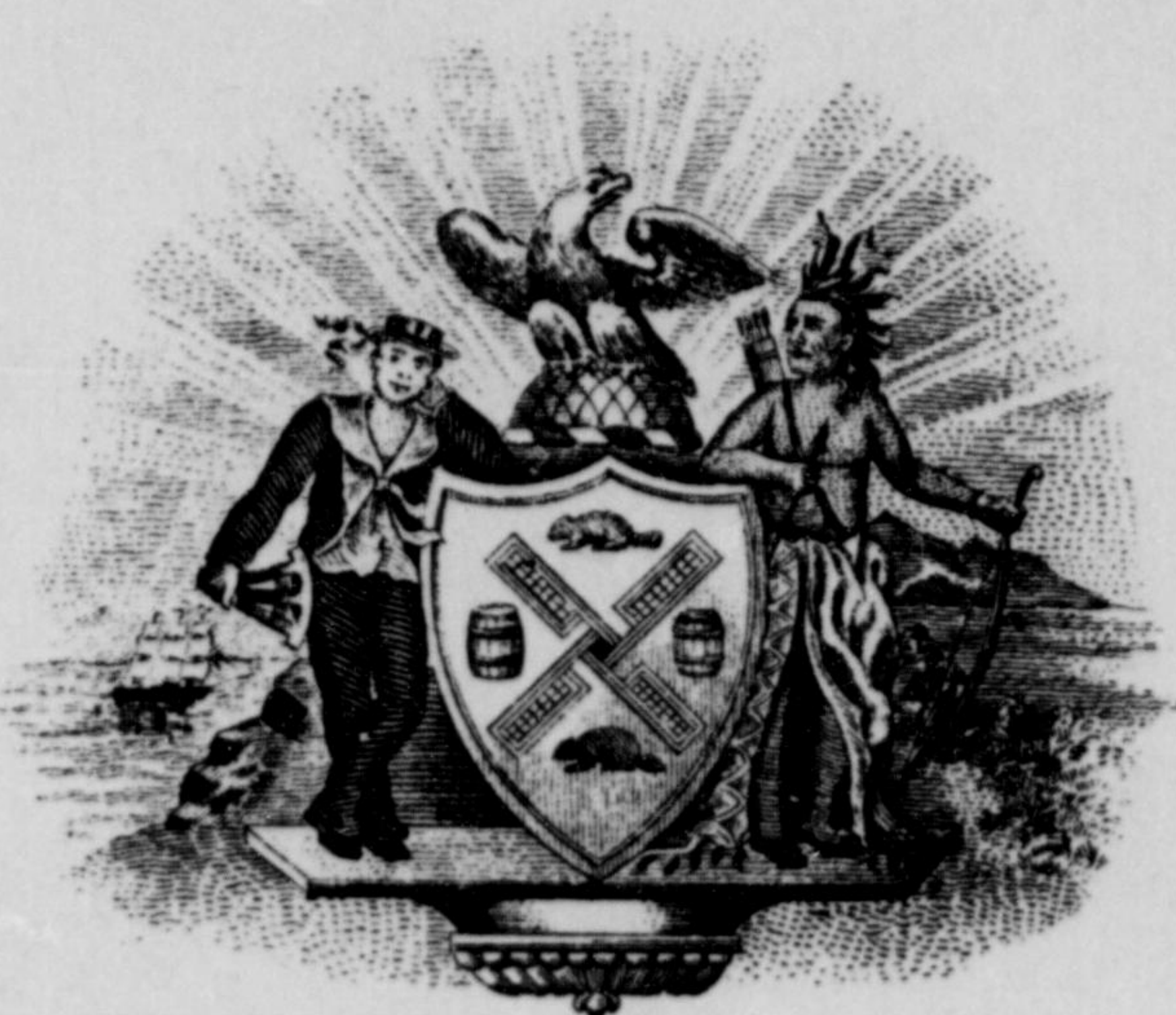
Mayor of the City of New York.

S i r :

In reply to your letter of September 30th, transmitting communication received from Dr. Hibbe, I now enclose a report received from Dr. George O'Hanlon, our General Medical Superintendent. I trust that this report will be satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

John W. Brannan
 President, Board of Trustees.



GEORGE O'HANLON, M.D.
GENERAL MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.
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ASSISTANT MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

BELLEVUE AND ALLIED HOSPITALS.

OFFICE OF
THE GENERAL MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

BELLEVUE HOSPITAL

1ST AVENUE AND 26TH STREET.
NEW YORK CITY

October 2nd, 1912.

Dr. John W. Brannan,
President, Board of Trustees,
Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.

Dear Sir:

In reference to the complaint made to the Mayor by Dr. L. H. R. Hibbe, I beg to state that our records show that on September 8th at 9:05 A.M. we admitted to this hospital from 151 East 27th Street a woman whose name was given as Dora Davis. Dr. Philips, who responded to the ambulance call, states that he found the woman at this address in a condition of coma, with delayed respiration, and general symptoms of morphine poisoning. Dr. Hibbe was present and stated to the ambulance surgeon that he had been called to the case early in the morning and had treated her with strychnine and whiskey, and that he had been called again. Besides Dr. Hibbe there was present a police officer and one other gentleman. The name Dora Davis was given to the surgeon by the police officer. Upon admission to the hospital the patient was in a condition of profound coma, and her respirations were so few that it was necessary to perform artificial respiration, which was continued for a period of four hours, together with the usual treatment for morphine poisoning. Soon after her admission Dr. Hibbe with two gentlemen called at the office and asked to see the patient. As is customary in the case of all patients in the alcoholic or psycho-

pathic wards, they were referred to the resident physician, Dr. Vosburgh, who was in ward 34 at the time working over the patient. They visited him at the ward, and he explained to them her condition and that they were at the time performing artificial respiration and giving colon irrigations, and stated that it was not advisable for them to see the patient, but that if they would come back later they would be permitted to visit her. An hour later the two gentlemen returned, and after having to wait about half an hour her condition had sufficiently improved for them to see her.

The patient was discharged on September 10th. It was nearly two weeks later before any one at the hospital knew that this patient's name was not Dora Davis but Dora Gilbert, or that she had any connection with the Rosenthal case, and our information at this time came from a reporter from the Journal who called at the hospital to see if we had any record of the admission of Dora Gilbert. All of the physicians who could have come in contact with this patient in any way during her stay in the hospital deny absolutely having volunteered to treat her at her home.

Respectfully,

George J. Haulm
General Medical Superintendent.

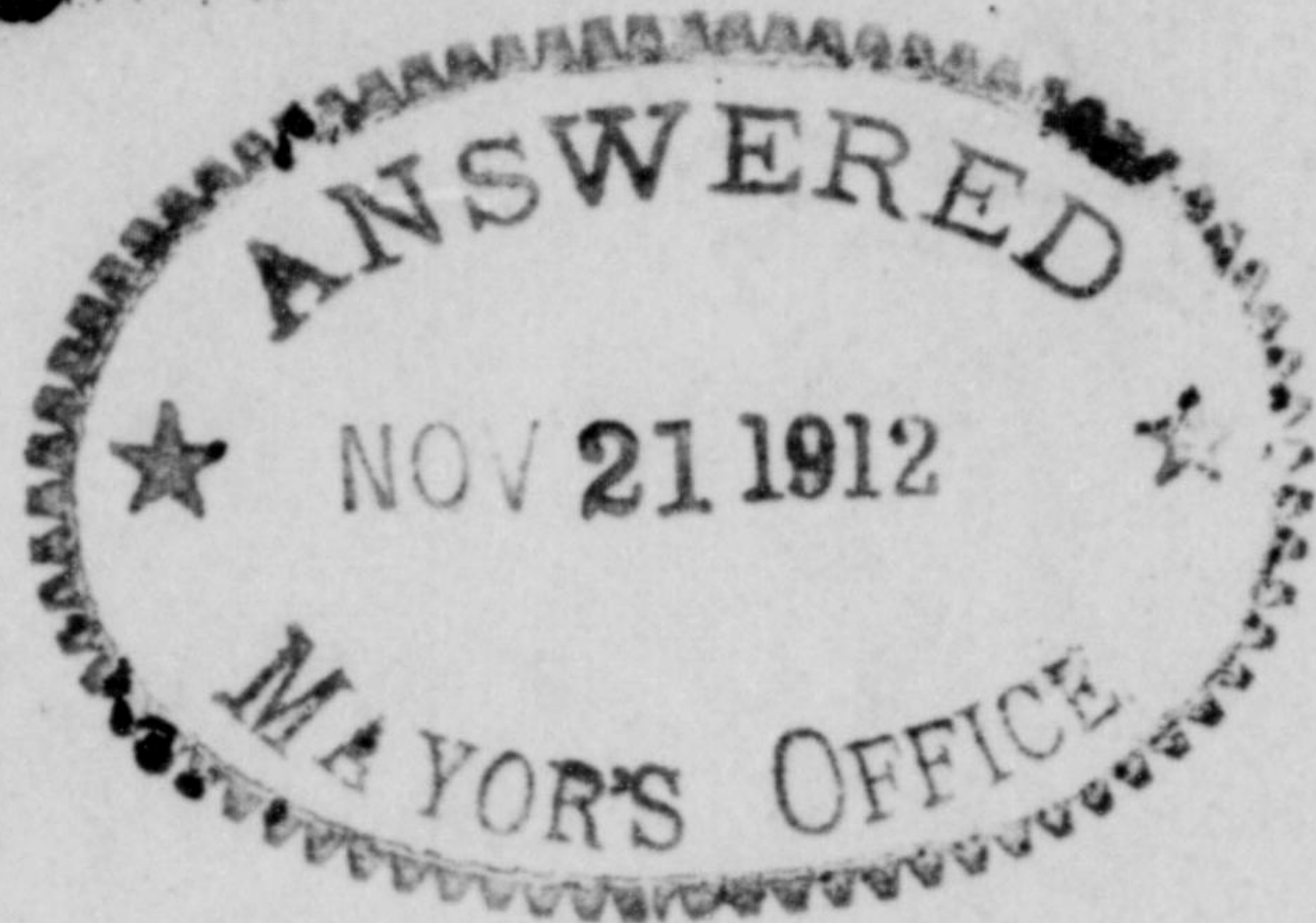


BELLEVUE AND ALLIED HOSPITALS.

BELLEVUE HOSPITAL,

OFFICE OF TRAINING SCHOOLS,

1ST AVENUE AND 26TH STREET.



NEW YORK, November 19th 1912.

To His Honor the Mayor.

Dear Sir.

We have with regret to announce from our Board of Managers, the resignation of Miss Therese Iselin, 711 Fifth Avenue, due to her marriage and present residence in England,. Her term of office would expire February 1918

We earnestly request to fill her place, the appointment of Mrs James W. Gerard 725 Fifth Avenue. who has served on the Auxiliary Committee of Harlem Hospital, under the direction of Miss Iselin, and we feel would be most competent to carry on the work there, and who would be a valuable addition to our Board.

If however this does not meet with your approval, pursuant to our Contract with the City, we will submit three names for this vacancy.

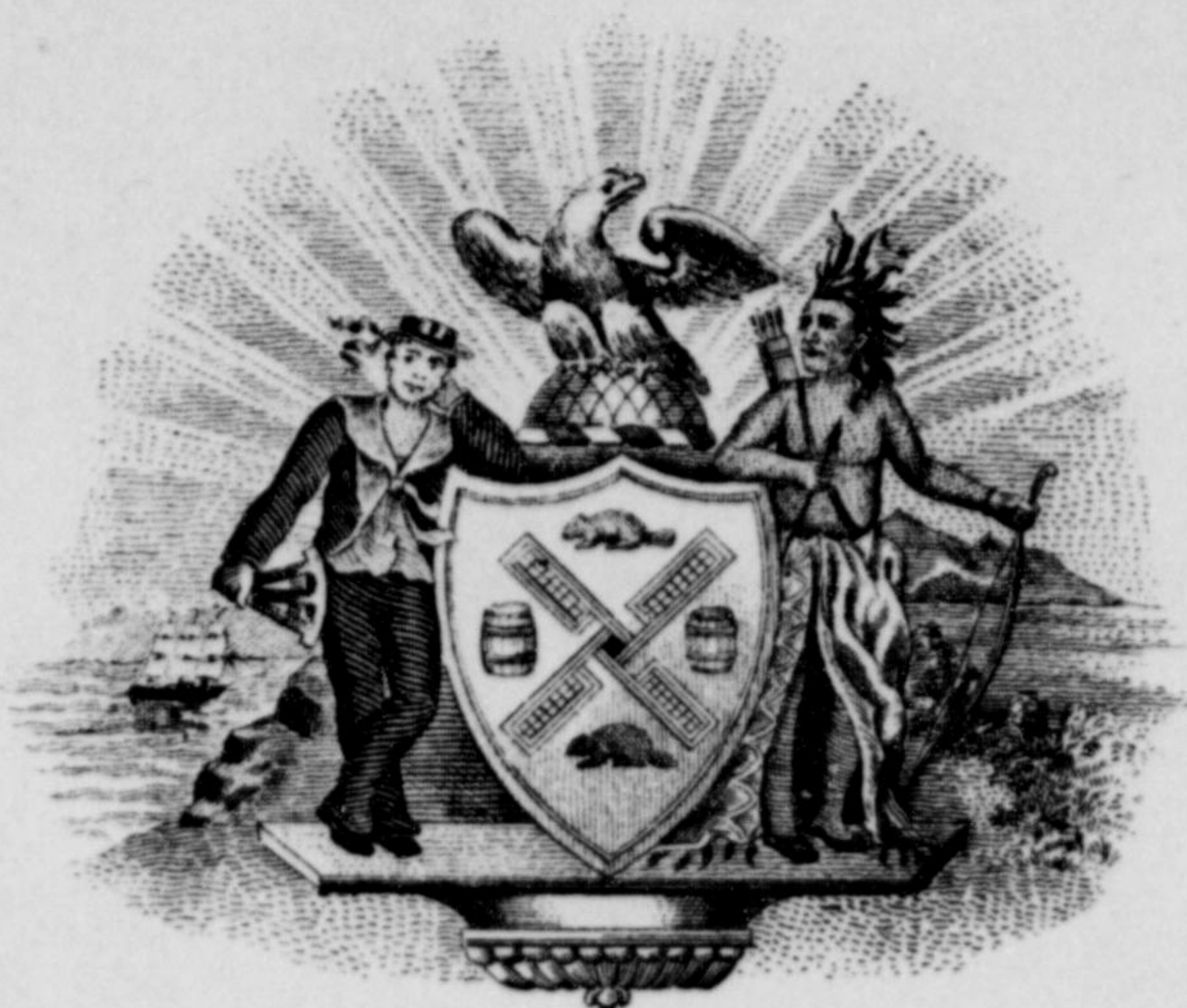
Respectfully Yours,

Alice Osborn

President of the Board of Managers

Bellevue Training School for Nurses.

(Mrs William Church Osborn.)



Bellerue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees.

1st Avenue, and 26th Street.

New York, November 21st, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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 SAMUEL SACHS.
 MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, EX-OFFICIO.

Hon. William J. Gaynor,

Mayor of the City of New York.

S i r :

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of a copy of your letter of November 16th to the heads of all Departments relative to complaints made to you of City employees who do not pay their debts for actual living expenses, and in reply to state that to our knowledge only one such instance has occurred in this Department, that of a man named Donnelly in the bookkeeping office. In that case our attention was called to his conduct by a letter from you, and Mr. Donnelly was interviewed by the General Medical Superintendent, with the result that the bill was immediately paid. In future, whenever we learn that any of our employees are delinquent in the payment of their bills, we shall insist upon settlement being made at once.

Respectfully,

John W. Brannan
 President, Board of Trustees.

DR. JOHN WINTERS BRANNAN,
11 WEST 12TH STREET.

NW. 25th 1912.
NEW YORK

My dear Mayor Eager,

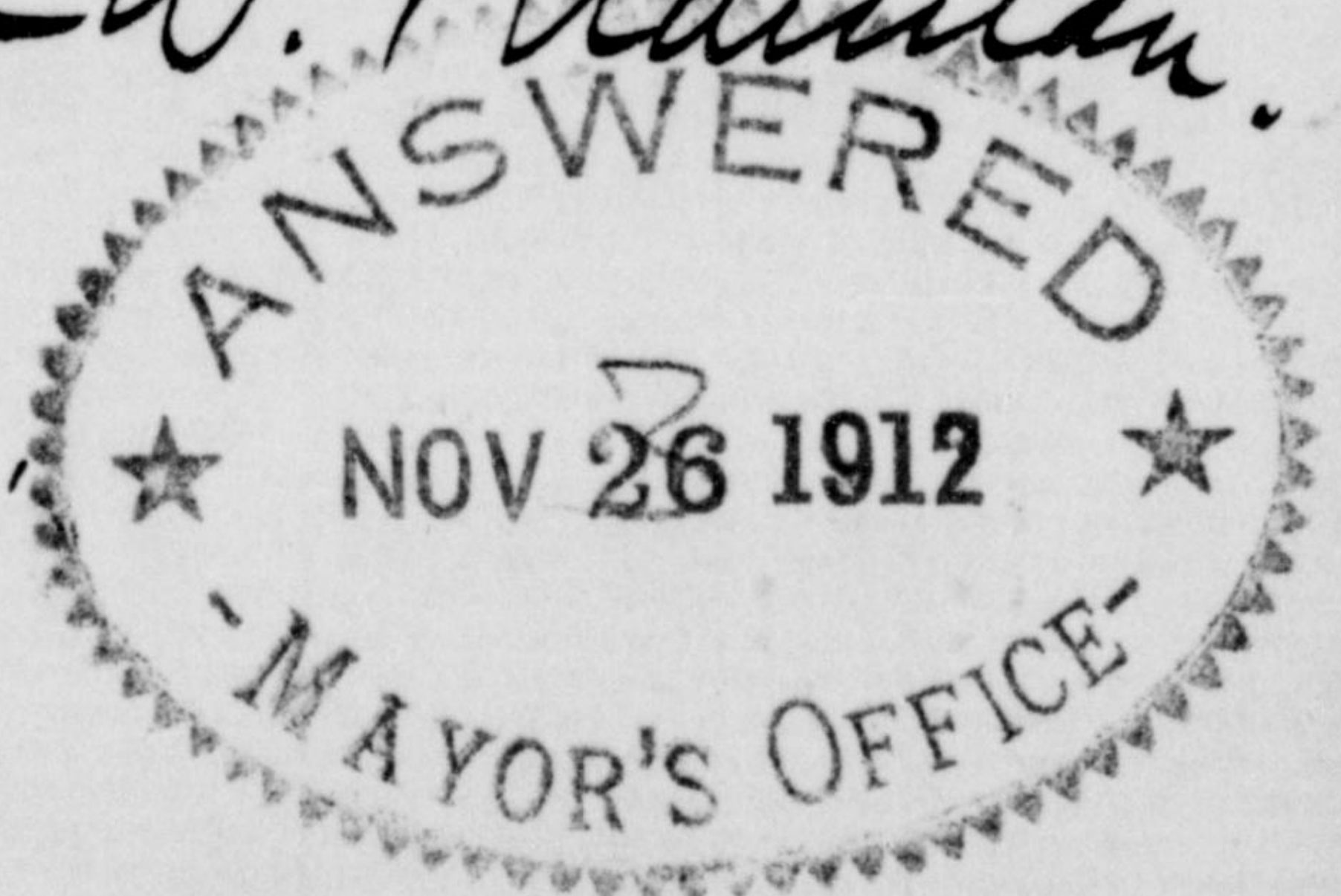
Do you think that you
could find time for a talk
with me about Bellevue Hospital?

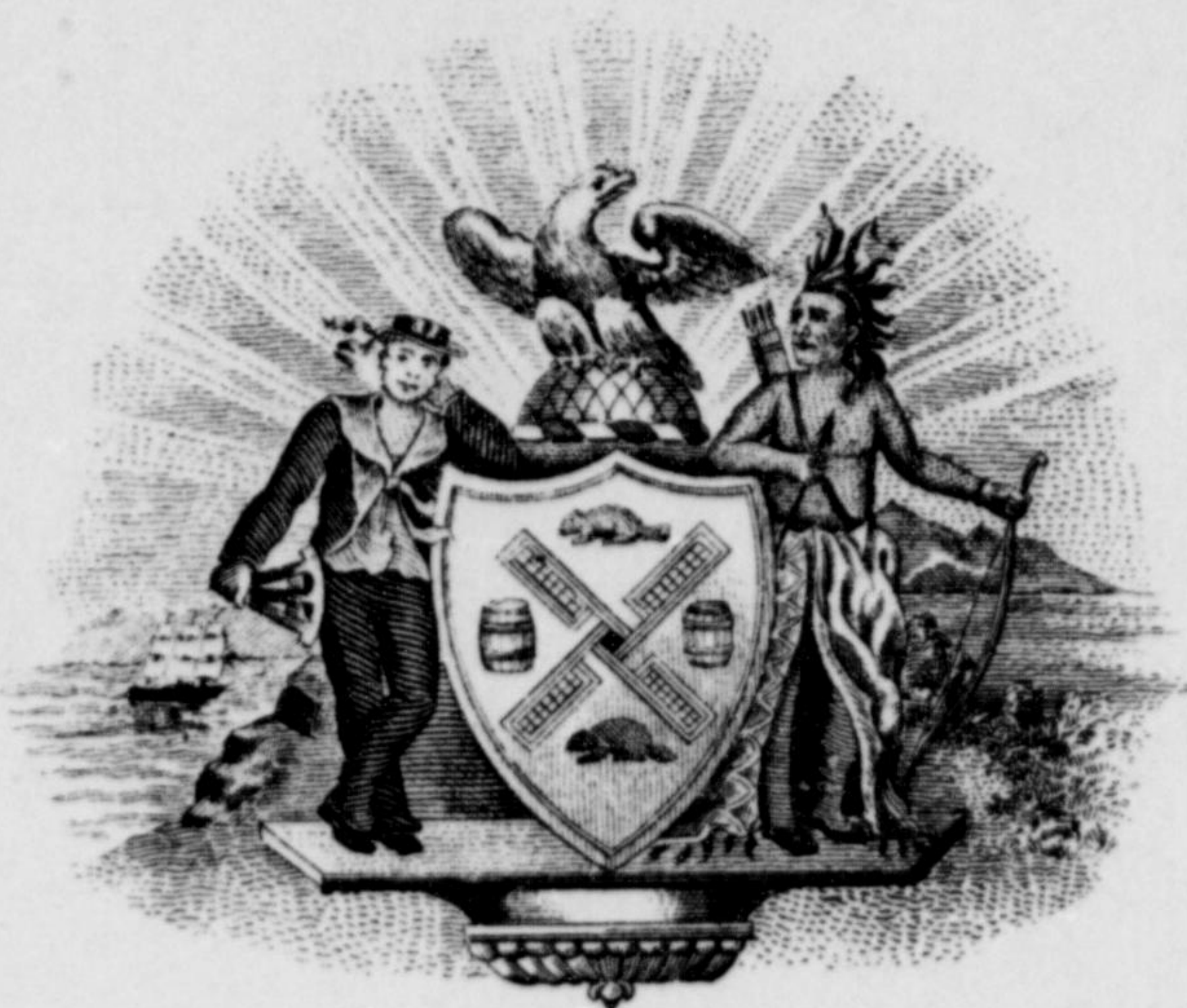
Perhaps Mr. Adamson could
arrange an appointment at
your convenience for some
day this week or next.

Very truly yours

John W. Brannan.

Answered W^m. Eager
Mayor of New York.





Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees.

1st Avenue and 26th Street.

New York, November 27th, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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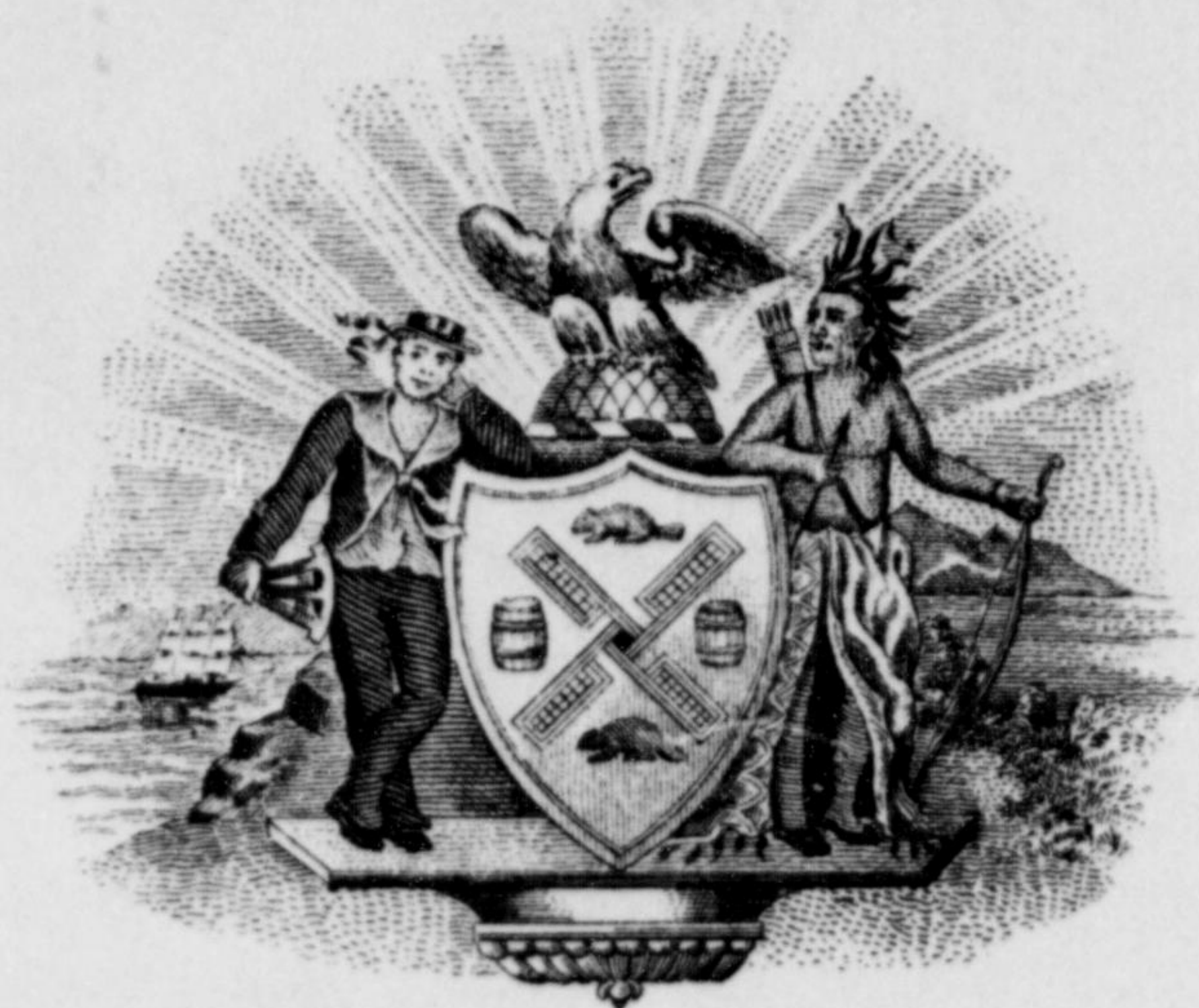
Mayor of the City of New York.

S i r :

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of November 22nd, enclosing copy of a communication received from the Comptroller relative to the installation of cost and expense accounting systems. This Department is one of the two in which the Comptroller states that the system is fully operative, and it has been in use since the beginning of the year 1910.

Respectfully,

John W. Brannan
 President, Board of Trustees.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.
Office of The Board of Trustees.

1st Avenue, and 26th Street.

New York, December 11th, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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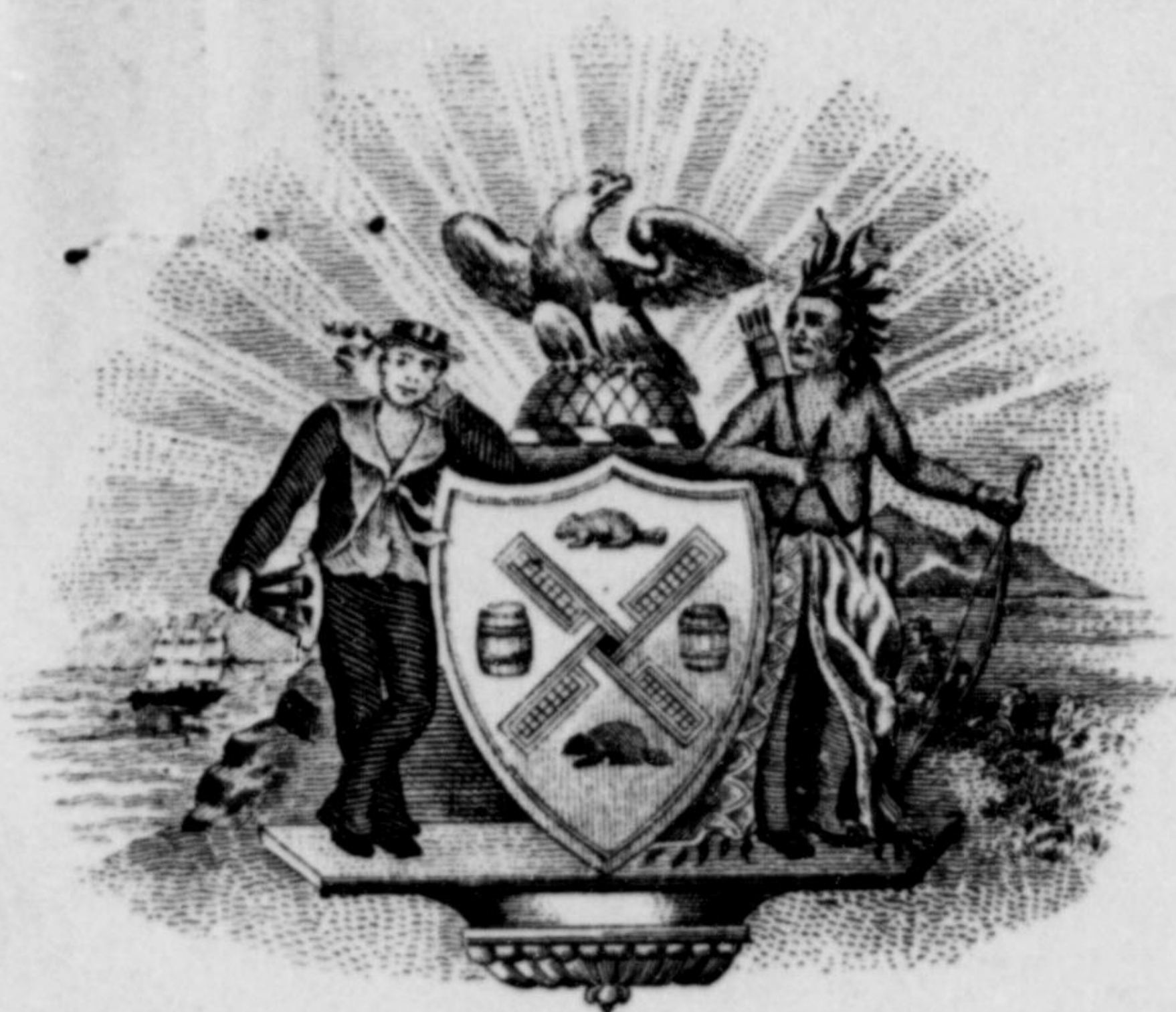
Hon. Robert Adamson,
 Secretary to the Mayor,
 New York City.

My dear Mr. Adamson:-

When I saw the Mayor last week I was under the impression that the Board of Aldermen had taken out of our departmental estimate the investigators which had been granted by the Budget Committee of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. I find that I was misinformed, so there will be no occasion to do anything further.

Very truly yours,

John W. Brannan



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.

Office of The Board of Trustees.

1st Avenue, and 26th Street.

New York, December 17th, 1912.

DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
JAMES K. PAULDING, SECRETARY.
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JOHN G. O'KEEFE.
ARDEN M. ROBBINS.
JAMES A. FARLEY.
SAMUEL SACHS.
MICHAEL J. DRUMMOND, EX-OFFICIO.

Hon. Robert Adamson,
Secretary to the Mayor,
New York City.

S i r :

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of December 6th, requesting information as to the number of trained nurses employed in this Department. The total number of nurses in the four hospitals of the Department is 443, of whom 27 are engaged in supervision, 352 are employed in the wards, 27 in the operating rooms, 9 in the out-patient departments, and 28 in the social service departments. The accompanying statements give some additional information which you may find of interest.

Respectfully,

John W. Brannan
President, Board of Trustees.

ASSIGNMENT OF NURSES

BELLEVUE AND ALLIED HOSPITALS

	<u>Bellevue Hospital</u>	<u>Gouverneur Hospital</u>	<u>Harlem Hospital</u>	<u>Fordham Hospital</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Super- vising Nurses	15	3	4	5	27
Ward Supervision and ward duty	230	35	46	41	352
Tributary Depts. i.e. amphi- theatre, operat- ing rooms, etc.	22	1	2	2	27
Out-Patient Dept.	4	2	2	1	9
Social Service Dept.	<u>15</u> *	<u>7</u> **	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>28</u>
Total	286	48	58	51	443

Grand total - 443

* Includes Boat "Southfield" 2

** Includes Boat "Westfield" 4

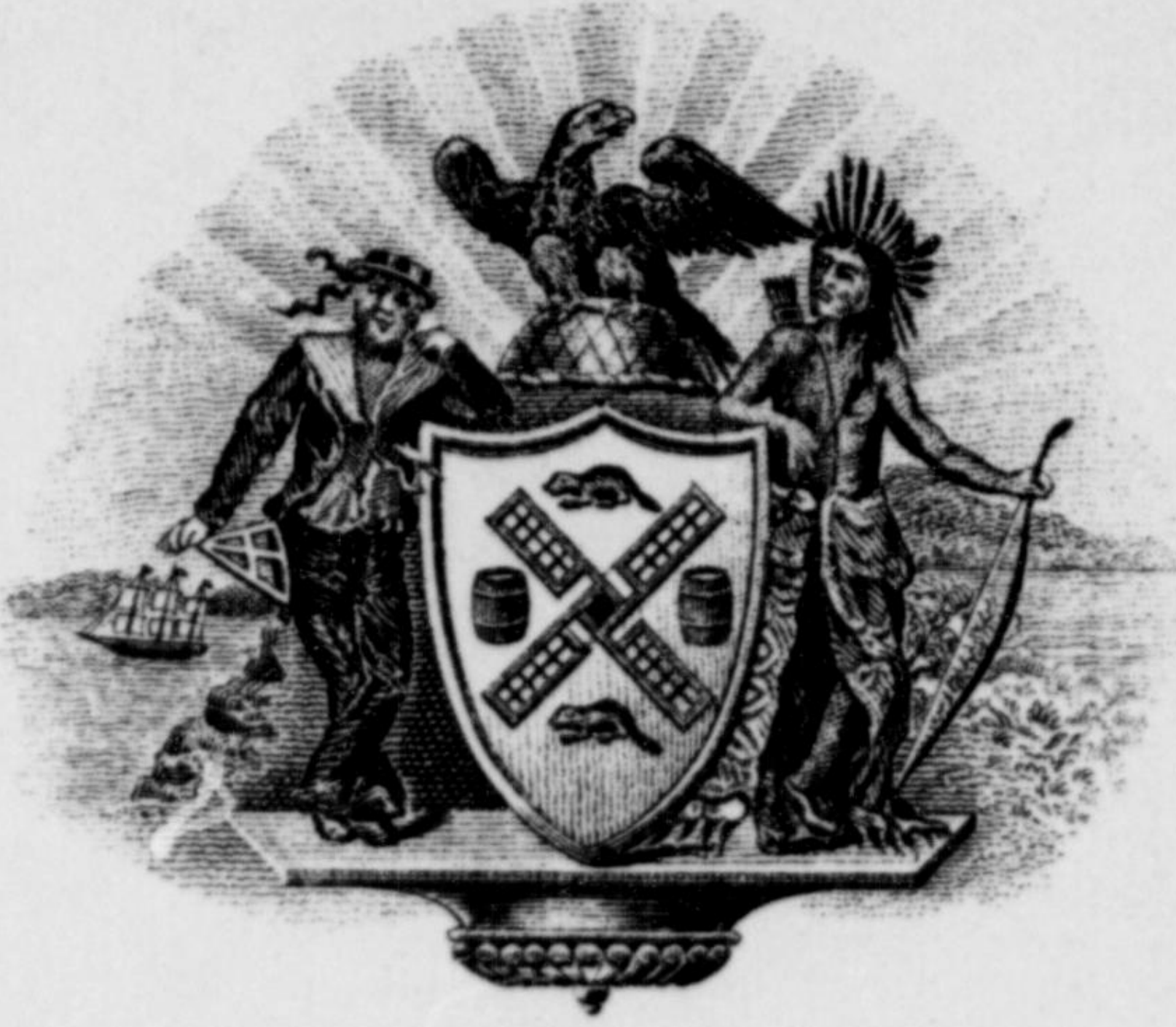
December 17th 1912.

STATEMENT OF THE NUMBER OF NURSES EMPLOYED IN
BELLEVUE AND ALLIED HOSPITALS

	<u>Bellevue Hospital</u>	<u>Gouverneur Hospital</u>	<u>Harlem Hospital</u>	<u>Fordham Hospital</u>	<u>Total</u>
Trained Nurses	148	34	19	17	218
Nurses in Training	<u>138</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>225</u>
Total	286	48	58	51	443

Grand Total - 443

December 17th 1912.



DR. JOHN W. BRANNAN, PRESIDENT.
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Bellerue and Allied Hospitals.

Office of The Board of Trustees,

1st Avenue and 26th Street,

New York, December 18, 1912.

Hon. Robert Adamson,

Secretary to the Mayor,

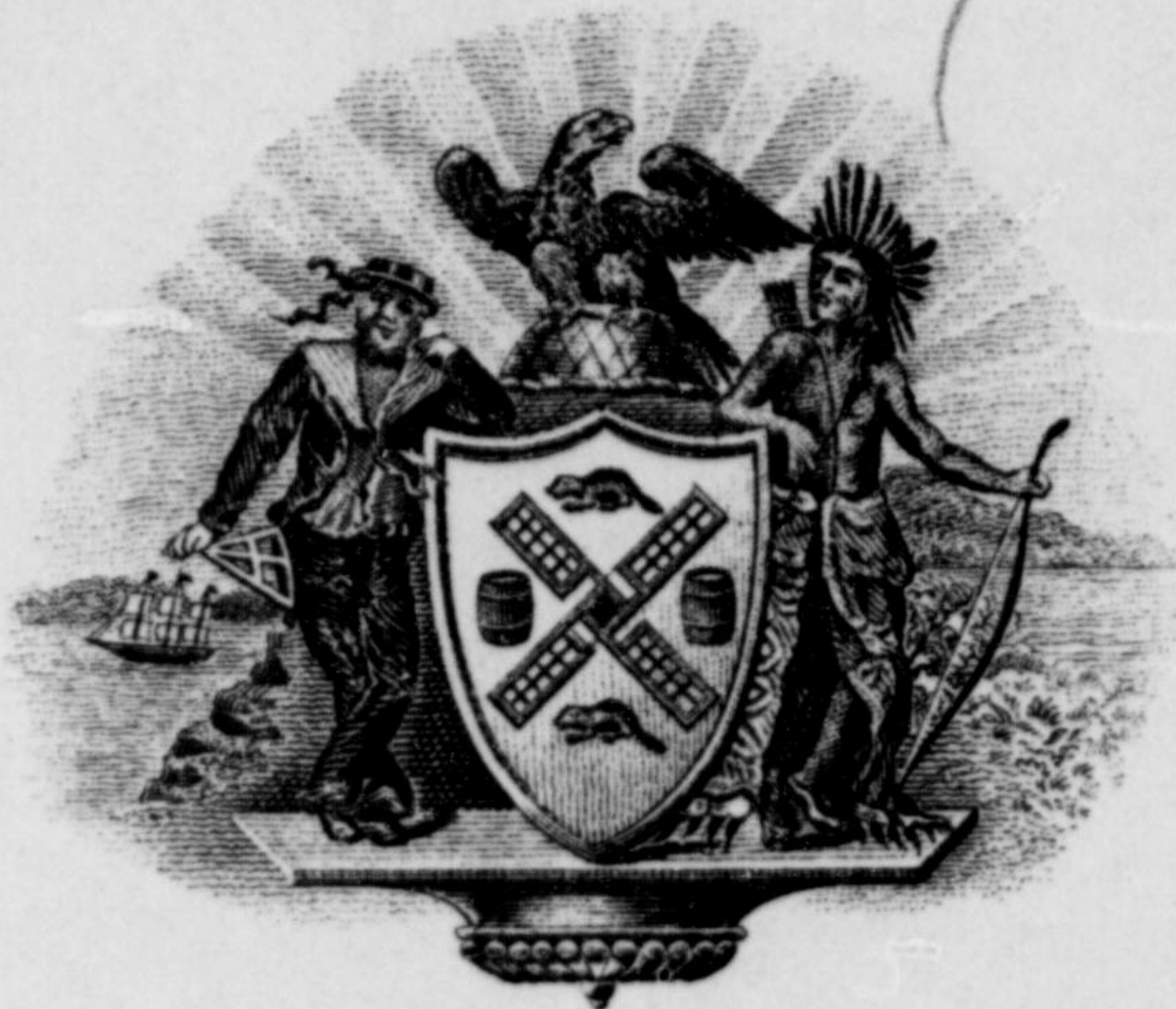
New York City.

S i r :

I beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter of December 16th, wherein his Honor the Mayor requests the preparation of a statement of the principal work of this Department during the year 1912 and of the plans in contemplation for the coming year. I shall at once set about the preparation of the statement, and transmit it to the Mayor as soon as completed.

Respectfully,

John W. Brannan
 President, Board of Trustees.



Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.

Office of The Board of Trustees,

1st Avenue and 26th Street,

New York,

December 18, 1912.

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Hon. William J. Gaynor,

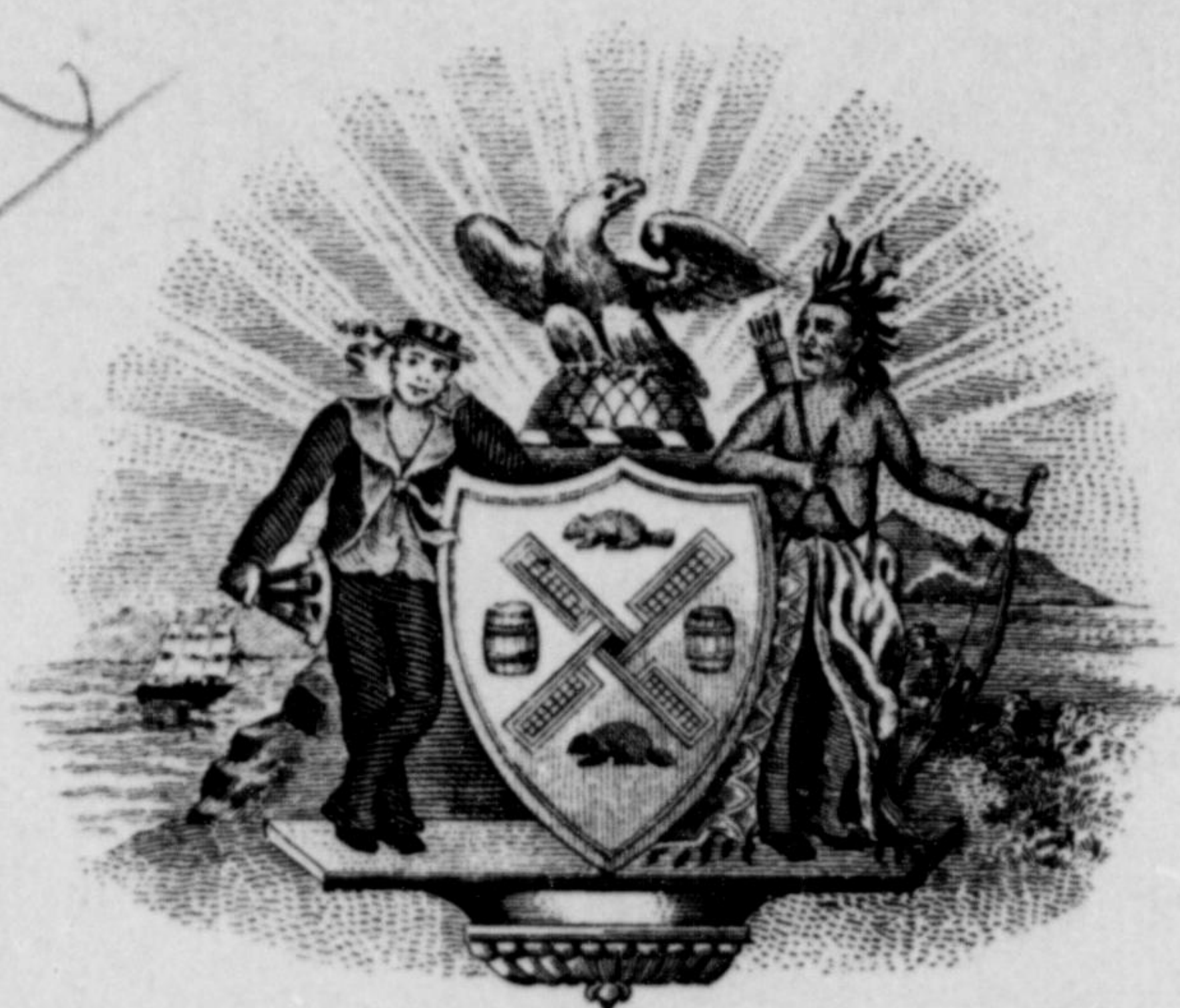
Mayor of the City of New York.

S i r :

I beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter of December 16th, transmitting a copy of a letter to you from the Comptroller, the Hon. William A. Prendergast. In accordance with your request, I shall comply with the letter in all respects, and this Department will cooperate with the Committee on Standardization of Salaries and Wages of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to the fullest extent.

Respectfully,

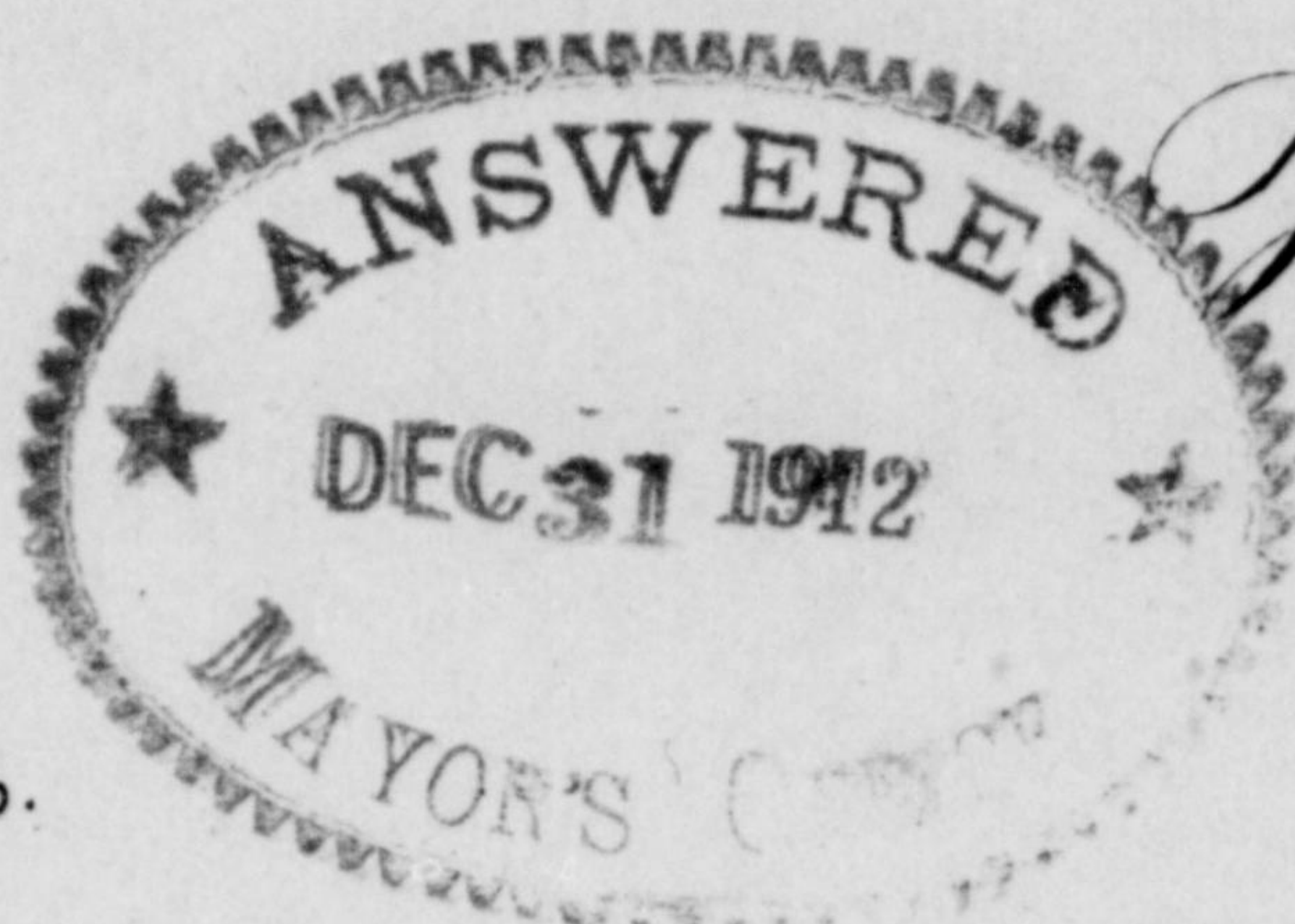
John W. Brannan
President, Board of Trustees.



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New York, December 30th, 1912.

Hon. William J. Gaynor,

Mayor of the City of New York.

S i r :

I have the honor to transmit, for publication in the City Record, the accompanying report of this Department for the year 1911.

Respectfully,

J. K. Paulding
 Secretary, Board of Trustees.

DR. JOHN WINTERS BRANNAN,
11 WEST 12TH STREET.

Dec. 30th 1912.

NEW YORK

Dear Mr. Adamson,

Thank you very much for
the copy of the Mayor's message
to the Board of Aldermen.
I had not seen it before and
was glad to have the opportunity
of reading it.

I finished my own report this
morning and sent it down to you.

I am laboring with a new
secretary.

With best wishes for the New
Year, I am Very truly yours
I enclose a pretty
card. John W. Brannan.