

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
THOMAS J. BRADY,
SUPERINTENDENT BUILDING DEPT.

FHD

New York, Oct. 2, 1895. 189

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir :-

It gives me pleasure to state in answer to your favor of the 1st inst. that I have passed 721 more plans, in the busi season of the year and in the same period of time, than were passed last year, and more than 600 more than any year previous, and that this office has been doing 100% more business than ever before, and that the architects thus far, with the exception of two or three, whose plans have been delayed in this Department have been those who refused to comply with the law or whose plans were carelessly and imperfectly drawn or whose construction was such that it would have been criminal in me to have passed their plans. I have here for examination at any time desired numerous plans and papers on file in this Department which not only should never have been passed by the Department in the form they are in, but which have never been thoroughly examined before approval; and if this is not stopped at once, you will, before the end of your administration, have numerous other calamities like that of the Ireland Building, owing to the gross carelessness on the part of this Department in many instances in the last few years. This makes it imperative for me, not only for the safety of the citizens of New York, but also for the honor of your Honor's administration and the upholding of the laws and authorities vested in this Department, that I should do my duty, and I certainly believe this to be your Honor's desire.

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New York,

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Hon. W. L. S. -- page 2.

Any architect whom you will confront me with, and who makes any such statements as you refer to, I will gladly face and come out publically and prove statements just the opposite. There are but few exceptions where any hardships have been placed on any architect who has tried to do his duty.

Again permit me to say that much of the complaining you will receive probably during the next month is of a political nature, and if you desire that a public examination and investigation of this Department shall be made I would only be too happy to aid you as well as it will develop the carelessness and incompetency in this Department in the past which I am trying to rectify and which endangers the lives of thousands of people, depreciates the values of the buildings in which the great real estate interests of this City are vested, and which in every way shows such carelessness that it gives me pleasure to see the difference and to be able to prove by men who have been thirty years in this Department what has been accomplished in the six months of my control and which has only been done by incessant labor averaging from seven in the morning to twelve at night during all the months of my charge here.

Everything said herein can be proved positively, so take your stand and back up the Superintendent of Buildings as you always have done and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

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Mayor of the City of New York.

Hon. William L. Strong,

WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE
BUREAU
125 SOUTH FIFTH STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

AND

2 W. CORNER 1ST ST.
25 SOUTH FIFTH STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Oct. 2, 1892.

WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE BUREAU

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SUPERINTENDING DEPT.

A.E.H.

New York,

Oct. 4th,

1895.

M.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find copy of notice to the public I expect to issue in a few days, as soon as I receive caps for my inspectors. I cannot help but think this will be of considerable aid in the overcoming of the gross negligence on the part of these men in the performance of their duty.

Respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

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SUPERINTENDING DEPT.

A.E.H.

New York, Oct. 4th 1895.

The Superintendent of Buildings respectfully calls the attention of the public to the fact that to prevent the gross carelessness in the examination of work by district inspectors that has existed in this Department, he not only insists on his inspectors wearing their badges conspicuously displayed on their outer garment, but that they shall hereafter wear a regulation cap at all times when on duty. Also that said inspectors shall be subject to fine or discharge if during the hours that they are on duty, 9 to 5 daily, except Saturday which shall be from 9 to 12, they shall enter, frequent, or gather in or about any saloon. As this Department is one of safety, and under the law it is called upon to enforce all matters that appertain to proper construction and safety, the Superintendent feels the necessity of carrying this out, and unless the inspector does his duty this cannot be secured, and therefore he feels it is his duty to insist strictly on the carrying out of this regulation. Any deviation from this order will be dealt with immediately as above stated

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The Superintendent of Buildings respectfully calls the

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Supt. BUILDING DEPT.
SUPERINTENDENT.

A.E.H.

New York,

Oct. 4th, 1895.

M.

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Referring back to yours of Sept. 27th enclosing letter of August 28th from Mr. William Martin, owner of 244 East 32nd St., in regard to two flue openings claimed to have been cut in his wall, would say same is being carefully examined into, and is in the hands of the attorney of this Department.

Respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

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DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
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STEVENS & CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT
DEPT. OF BUILDINGS

New York, Oct. 7th, 1895,

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of Oct. 7th, enclosing letter forwarded to you by Mr. Charles MacRae, was duly received. I sent personally for the plans and papers relative to this application, and find what he applies for is strictly unlawful. It calls for the erection of a frame structure in fire limits, and only can be allowed by application to the Board of Examiners of this Department; which has not been made. If Mr. MacRae will make such application, it will give us pleasure to act immediately upon the matter.

Yours truly,

Stevens & Constable
Superintendent of Buildings,

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THOMAS J. BRADY
SUPERINTENDENT

STEVENSON & CRISTABLE,
SUPT. BUILDING DEPT.

New York, Oct. 12th, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I send you by present mail copy of the building laws pertaining to this Department. This edition has been issued especially for the use of the Department and its inspectors and employees, whom I found had nothing whatever to go by or govern them in their duties. Hoping this may be of use to you, I remain,

Yours truly,

Stevenson & Cristable
Superintendent of Buildings,

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SUPERINTENDENT.

A.E.H.

New York,

Oct. 13th, 1895.

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Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

In answer to your favor of 8th inst., with enclosure, allow me to respectfully report as follows:

Mr. James C. Owen appeared before the Board of Examiners of this Department on July 2nd, 1895, and was examined for the position of Inspector of Buildings, and was found not qualified and so stands on the records of the minutes of said meeting.

Enclosed please find duplicate of our answer to Mr. Owen.

Very respectfully,

Steven W. Stevenson

Superintendent of Buildings.

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SUPERINTENDENT,
STEVENSON'S CONSTABLE,
BUILDING DEPT.

Copied

New York,

Oct. 12th, 1895.

James C. Owen, Esq.

476 West 144th St. City?

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of October 1st to his honor, William L. Strong, Mayor of the City of New York, has been referred to me personally for examination. I have made such examination, and find that on May 27th of the present year you were certified to this Department by the Civil Service Commission as having passed examination for Inspector of Buildings in this Department. You were then cited to appear before the Board of Examiners of this Department, meeting on July 2nd, 1895. At said examination you failed to qualify and are so recorded on the minutes of said meeting.

Any further information that you desire I will most willingly give. The salaries of Inspectors in this Department are \$1,100 and \$1,200, not higher.

Yours truly,

Superintendent of Buildings.

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DRS. H. W. L. & O. T. BUILDINGS

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SUPERINTENDENT.

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New York, Oct. 14, 1895.

M.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Allow me to enclose a few comments of mine upon the recent Ordinance passed by the Board of Aldermen which I am afraid will place a very considerable hardship upon the owners, builders and contractors of the City, and will not, unless very carefully handled, produce the good results for which it was intended.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

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SUPERINTENDENT.

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New York, Oct. 14, 1895.

Hon. Wm. Brookfield,
Commissioner of Public Works .

Dear Sir:-

In reference to the recent Ordinance passed by the Board of Aldermen in regard to the construction of shed structures in front of all buildings over three stories in height I would respectfully call your attention to the fact that in many instances this will impose a very great hardship upon owners, builders and contractors in this City. This should be a discretionary matter and only made necessary where, in the judgment of the proper official, the safety of life and limb makes it necessary, as on our crowded thoroughfares, avenues, etc.

Again such structures can be used to great advantage as a deck on which material used in construction can be placed; therefore the material, strength and form of construction should also be in the hands of the proper official so as to insure the necessary strength.

Again such a structure is in many cases a bridge over vaultage which is in course of construction, and would consequently require modification to meet each particular case.

I personally would advise that the law be made clear and distinct as to requiring a proper passage way to be maintained in front of every building under building operation, but as to deck or shed houses as now called for under this ordinance, I would most certainly request

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New York, Oct. 14, 1895.

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that a modification be made of the same.

Trusting that you will give these suggestions your consideration,

I am,

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable

Superintendent of Buildings.

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2100 BIRCH ST.

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2100 BIRCH ST.

S.W. CORNER 19th St.

1000 10th St.

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SUPT.

A.E.H.

New York,

Oct. 14th, 1895.

M

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

2 Referring again to the hotel fire escape matter, as previously reported to you, I regret to say I find many of the hotels have not complied with the orders of this Department of two or three years back, have not been inspected since, and now they seem opposed to complying with orders issued by me. As the question of the safety of our great hotels, and buildings of this description, is of such vital importance, am I not perfectly justified, in your judgment, in standing firmly on the ground that all reasonable requirements to make the said buildings safe in case of fire or panic must be complied with?

Very respectfully,

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Stevenston & Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

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THOMAS GRADY,
CONSTABLE,
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New York, Oct. 15, 1895. 189
W.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

As in frequent instances it becomes from the extreme necessity of the case that this Department must see that buildings and structures which from accident, storm, defective construction or collapse are in a very dangerous condition are shored and necessary work to prevent loss of life or accident immediately done, and as the law vests the necessary authority in the Department to take such immediate action, I have done so, and immediately afterwards, upon the owner or representative of owner of said structure or building agreeing to take hold and complete the necessary work and to comply with the precept or order of the Court to make building safe, and upon payment of the expenses to which the Department has been put in securing the building as above set forth, I allow said party to take possession.

Now, the above costs are remitted direct to the City Chamberlain, so that upon presentation of bill by the party who did the work the amount is in the hands of the Chamberlain to meet said bill. These bills never leave this office until they are thoroughly verified, and, consequently, I feel that it is nothing but good business and justice that they should be immediately paid on presentation of the certified bill by the party having done the work.

Yours respectfully,

Thomas Grady
Superintendent of Buildings.

Dear Sir:-

Major, O.T.

Hon. Mr. P. Brooke,

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New York, Sept. 13th, 1895.

Mr. Thos. Ewing

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 12th inst., would say that the building referred to at 507 East 120th Street, City, has been on same ground for some years past and that I was only doing necessary repairs. I had made sworn statement myself and sent it to Mr. Constable some days ago, in reference to said premises. Also have had others sign this statement, who knows that the building or shanty has been on this place for some years past. Trusting this will be satisfactory to you, I remain

Yours respectfully,

(Signed) Samuel Smith

Patrick Casey, 507 E. 120 St.

C. E. Terpeny, 427 E. 116th St.

P. F. Harmon, 340 East 119th St.

Terrence McEnaney, 507 E. 120 St.

Francis McConnell.

ELLEN MCCONNELL

WILLIAM WELLS, 201 E. 150 St.

B. E. HARMON, 370 East 175th St.

W. E. LEBEN, 434 E. 175th St.

WILLIAM WELLS, 201 E. 150 St.

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(Signed) Sumner Smith

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New York, Oct. 25, 1895.

M

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir :-

In answer to yours of Oct. 25th, enclosing complaint from R. S. Richards, of 505 East 120th St. in regard to stable in rear of 507 East 120th St., I enclose copy of letter received by my attorney in this matter, and also would say that I will have further investigation made.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

Enclosure.

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SUPERINTENDENT.

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New York, Oct. 25, 1895.

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Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir :-

I have just received a notice from the Clerk of the Common Council, dated Oct. 24th, signifying the approval by them of the erection of a bay window on the second and third floors of the building on the south-east corner of 156th St. and Prospect Ave.

Allow me to express my thorough appreciation and approval of your action in not signing these bay-window approvals, as it is strictly against the law and is likely at some time or other to lead to litigation, as they will become, if allowed to any extent, damaging to adjacent property, and it certainly is showing a favor to some parties which others are unable to obtain.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

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A.E.H.

New York, Oct. 25th, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 24th inst. enclosing a resolution of the Board of Aldermen granting permission to Edwin H. Ferguson to erect, place, and keep an ornamented balcony of iron at the level of the second floor of his premises at the Southeast corner of 7th Ave. and 125th St. in lieu of fire escapes, and requesting an immediate report by me thereon.

In reply I beg to state that by the provisions of Section 498, of the Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by Section 34, of Chapter 275, of the laws of 1892, full and exclusive power and authority is given to the Superintendent of Buildings to direct fire escapes and other means of egress to be provided upon the class of buildings specified in said section.

This building is occupied as a place of public assemblage, and I would therefore disapprove the said resolution. Even if the same is granted by the Board of Aldermen, the power of this Department to direct further fire escapes or means of egress would not thereby be waived, and full and proper plans for the construction thereof should be filed in this Department.

Very respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

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FHD

New York, Oct. 25, 1895.

M

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I herewith return copy of Resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No . 921, in relation to bay windows on buildings on the east side of Manhattan Ave., between 103d and 104th St.

Permit me to say that under the enactment of the Legislature governing this Department it is impossible for me to approve said resolution, and I , therefore, can only signify that I will look after the construction of same and see that it is correct; but cannot approve the allowing of such bay or bulk windows, projecting beyond the building line.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

Enclosure.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

№ 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
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SUPERINTENDENT.

A.E.H.

New York, Nov. 1st, 1895.

M

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

As a few days ago you asked me at my early convenience to make an inspection of the "old Tombs Prison Building" with the object of seeing whether the foundations were of sufficient strength to carry an additional story added thereto, if you will kindly advise me as to whether the additional story is to be added to the central portion or on the outer walls, you will greatly oblige me, and I will take the necessary steps in this matter.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

Answered
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HON. WILLIAM P. STEARNS

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DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

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SUPERINTENDENT.

S.A.U.

New York, Nov. 4th, 1895.

M.

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor, Mayor's Office, City.

Dear Sir:--

In answer to yours of Nov. 4th, I would say that I have started the examination of the old Tombs prison building as you desire with the intention of adding an additional story to the outer wall of said building, and will report as soon as said examination is completed.

Yours very truly,

Stevenson Constable
Supt. of Buildings.

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STEVENSON COMPLAINT
SUPERINTENDENT

U. A. S.

HOD. WILLIAM I.

DEPARTMENT of BUILDINGS,
No. 220 Fourth Ave.

New York, November 4th, 1895.

Stevenson Constable, Esq.,
Superintendent of Buildings.

Dear Sir:--

Your undersigned inspectors have this day made an inspection of the buildings located on the block bounded by Centre, Franklin, Elm and Leonard Streets known as the New York City Tombs Prison, and respectfully report as follows:

The extent of our examination was to the purpose of ascertaining the safety and strength of the above described buildings and as to the feasibility of building a new story on the old buildings. Reference is made to affixed diagram.

The building at A is the men's prison. The walls of this building are generally plumb and true. There is a settlement in the Westerly wall and a long vertical crack at the point marked B which has been filled with mortar. The walls of this and the other old buildings are of local building stone, cut true and square, well laid, and bonded.

The buildings C and D are of recent construction and in good condition. C is the Boy's prison and D is the Women's.

The building marked E is the principal one in which are located the offices of the Prison authorities, the old courts and offices of Special Sessions. It is in fair condition but there are portions of Westerly wall which require repairing. F is a wing, and at the points marked G and G the walls are dangerously cracked.

The entablature of portico on Leonard Street is dangerously cracked.

We examined the sanitary condition of all plumbing and found the same to be in a good and clean condition.

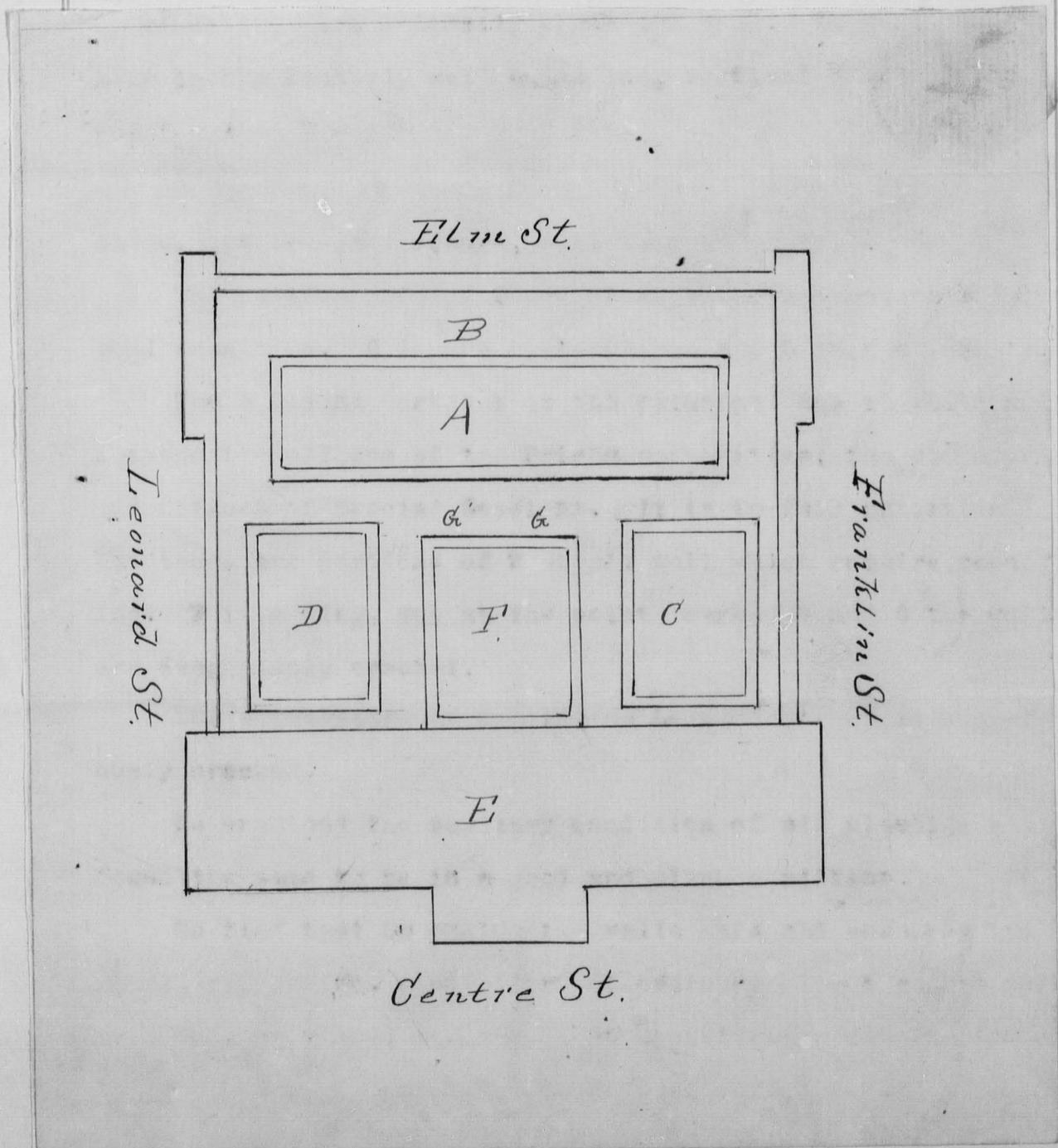
We find that by making the walls safe and sound by the necessary repairs, a new story of ordinary height can be safely added, provided, however, that upon further examination the footings and bottoms will be found sufficient.

The prison marked A is not a thoroughly fire-proof building and is four stories in height. We desire to call your attention to the advisability of placing fire escapes on it. At the time of our inspection there were upward of 350 men imprisoned with no proper means to escape in case of fire or other calamity.

Very obediently,

MARTIN J. HACKETT.

MERRIT SMITH.



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SUPERINTENDENT.

A.E.H

New York, Nov. 6th, 1895.

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Hon. W. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find report of examination of the Old Tombs Prison on Centre St. as you desired. I would state that there are several forms of construction which it would be perfectly practical to put upon the outer walls of said building, thus adding an additional story as you suggested. Finding that in case of fire the loss of life from suffocation, etc., in the Men's Prison would likely be very great, I would suggest that proper fire escapes be placed thereon. These can be placed and arranged in such a way as to prevent escape, and at the same time give proper egress in case of necessity. I have so advised the Department of Charities and Correction.

Yours truly,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

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STEVENSON CONSTABLE
SUPERINTENDENT

A.E.H.

New York,

Nov. 6th, 1895.

M

Hon. W. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir :-

Your favor of Nov. 4th from Mr. Burrows, chief clerk, enclosing copy of agreement with Messrs. Canary & Lederer is received, and I hope they will live up to same, and thus place this building in as much improved condition as under the law I can secure.

Yours truly,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

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STANDARD BANK OF NEW YORK

32 220 BROADWAY
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.

Nov. 6th, 1884

A.E.H.

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STANDARD BANK OF NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NR 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
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STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT.

A.E.H.

New York, Nov. 9th, 1895.

M

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

In re. premises 3-5-7 Pelham St.

Yours of 7th received and noted, and in reply would say that the shorers have been regularly at work there since the fire, and every precaution has been taken to prevent accident.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

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SUPERINTENDENT.

A.E.H.

New York, Nov. 11th, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find report of examination of building known as "Theisses", 134 and 136 East 14th St., also report of examination of premises 1360 and 1362 Broadway. In regard to this latter place, in your letter of 31st ulte. you state that it is the first floor that is to be used. As said floor is now occupied under a lease I think that the application must apply to the second floor.? Kindly advise, and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

Nov. 11th, 1895.

In re. attached letter.

I have this day examined the premises herein referred to, formerly known as "Thiesses".

It has for a long time been used as a public place. The strength of the floors should be calculated and filed in this Department.

The estimated capacity is 300-400 people, the most of which are on the first floor. The means of egress consists of 3 5' 0" doors, and 2 3' 0" doors, which is ample.

The first floor is tile, and the basement is in a very good condition, being unusually free of inflammable materials.

Generally the building is well adapted for its proposed use so far as this Department is concerned.

(Signed) Fred E. Wilcox.

To Supt. of Buildings,
New York City.

(Copy)

Nov. 11, 1895.

In re. attached letter.

I have this day examined the premises herein referred to:

The original drawings (986 N. B., 1894,) indicate that the first floor is directly on the ground and of ample strength for the use of a concert hall as proposed.

It will probably be necessary to make some interior changes. Drawings for same should be submitted which should also show ample means of exit to the street. There should be at least 3 5' 0" doors opening outwardly.

The first floor of this building is now occupied for exhibition purposes and storage purposes separately. It appears possible that the applicant may wish to use the second floor, as a concert hall instead of the first as stated.

(Signed) Fred. E. Wilcox.

To Supt. of Buildings,
New York City.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO. 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT.

FHD

New York, Nov. 12, 1895.
M.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I herewith return copy of Resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No. 17, in relation to the bay window on building No. 240 West End Ave.

Permit me to say that under the enactment of the Legislature governing this Department it is impossible for me to approve said resolution, and I therefore can only signify that I will look after the construction of same and see that it is correct; but cannot approve the allowing of such bay or bulk windows, projecting beyond the building line.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

Enclosure.

U.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

**NR 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,**

*STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT.*

New York, Nov. 14th, 1895.

Honorable William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:--

Allow me the pleasure of sealing with the seal of this Department, for the first time, any regular document issued therefrom. Although required by law to have a seal, the Department has never possessed one until the present.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.



DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

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S.A.U.

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Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

Seal here -



Honorable William J. Sewell

STANDARD COMMERICAL

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DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

215 CORNER 18th St.

Nov. 14th, 1892

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NR 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT.

A.E.H.

New York, Nov. 14th, 1895.

W

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

In answer to yours of 13th inst., concerning Walter S. Servis, would state that as the Civil Service Commission have never forwarded his name to this Department as qualified for position, the matter refers to them. The examination for inspector of buildings in this Department does not require any examination on the question of plumbing, light and ventilation, or sanitary condition. That is a separate branch of this Department and requires a separate examination, therefore his remarks in his letter show a complete misunderstanding of what he was being examined for. I suppose from your sending the letter to me you desire me to make inquiry from Civil Service, which, if I do not hear from you to the contrary, I will do at once.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NR 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT.

A. E. H.

New York, Nov. 15th, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Clark, recommended by your letter of Nov. 14th, was at this office this morning. He could not pass the examination for plumbing in this Department, and consequently could not be appointed. I told him I would look into the case again and see if there could have been any points overlooked.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

The trouble has been with many of the parties applying to Civil Service for appointment in this Department, that they consider the mere passing of Civil Service entitles them to an appointment, whereas by law all inspectors have to be examined in this Department, and it has been the greatest Godsend I could have, as the large majority of men who have applied have been men seeking what is commonly called a "soft snap" which they will not get here, as I am determined that this Department shall be handled in a business like manner, and only competent and efficient men shall be allowed to use the city's money, and then only when they earn it. The man who is employed to examine plumbing and light

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

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New York, _____

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and ventilation matters in this Department must be experienced, and he must have the ability to calculate and handle plans. It has been this inability in many of the employees here which has increased the expenses of this Department, and the inaccuracy and inefficiency of the Department and also the expenses of other Departments in the City of New York.

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DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NR 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT.

FHD

New York,

Nov. 19, 1895. M

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I have the pleasure of stating that having received notice of the co-operation of all the prominent societies interested in real estate, building materials, building and structural work in this City of their hearty co-operation with this Department in the revision of the laws, as reported to you in mine of May 4th, and on various other dates, we have commenced said work, meeting in this Department, the offices of which I have thrown open on certain days for this purpose.

I would be pleased to receive any suggestions from yourself in regard to this matter, as I hope that we will be able to obtain by this public and ~~other~~ way of doing the work, as complete and reliable and efficient set of laws as is possible to obtain.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

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DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NR 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT.



FHD

New York, Nov. 19, 1895. M

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Finding that this Department had no system of communication to the different parts of the City by which prompt directions could be given and received at the various districts and district inspectors thereon, and as hundreds of dollars could be saved in the time of men and much more efficient work done and many accidents and delays in matters of importance avoided, I am arranging with the different public telephone stations in the City for a system of communication by which this great deficiency can be overcome. I am also arranging for a telephone to be put in my own rooms, as there have been seven cases where, after the close of this office at 4:30 o'clock generally, or on Saturday at 12 o'clock, or on Sunday when no one is in attendance here at the Department, I have had to be hunted up, either by the police or firemen or inspectors, causing great delay and annoyance and risk of accident, and as fires, storms, etc., which cause these matters for immediate action of my Department, are of frequent occurrence during these times ^{and} of the day, I feel this is a necessary move.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NR 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT.

FHD

New York, Nov. 19, 1895. *M.*

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I would state that having found it almost impossible without the strictest orders to prevent the Inspectors of this Department from frequenting saloons during the hours of duty, wasting their time there drinking and becoming intoxicated and causing a great deal of trouble, this refers more particularly to the older men who have from the previous lax system of the Department become accustomed to do just as they choose, and as I am determined that my orders shall be obeyed, I have issued peremptory orders that all inspectors of this Department while on duty shall not enter or frequent any saloon, hotel or bar room except instructed to do so for inspection, and I intend making this order public, as I have recently had to discharge no less than seven men from this cause.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NR 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT.

A.E.H.

New York, Nov. 21st, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

In re. of the Olympia Theatre, Broadway, 44th and 45th
Sts., Oscar Hammerstein, Proprietor.

In answer to your letter of Nov. 18th I would say that you can
grant license for said theatre with the understanding that it is granted
on condition that all work unfinished on Monday the 25th inst. will be
completed at once under the direction of the Superintendent of Buildings,
and his approval and acceptance of same shall be obtained. This li-
cense must only be granted on this condition, and it must be so framed
that I shall have ample authority to cause the cancelling of same if
said work is not immediately proceeded with and completed.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

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YOUR RESPECTFULLY,

Subsidiary of ...

NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NR 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT.

FHD

New York, Nov. 21, 1895. *M.*

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir :-

Enclosed please find list of Associations organized for the revision of the building laws of this City.

It gives me pleasure to state that they have all entered into this work with a will, and realizing the necessity of doing it thoroughly I hope that the result will be a set of laws which are the most complete and thorough the City has ever had and which will be so constructed as to be up to date, so liberal as to meet all demands of the various portions of this City, and yet strong and rigid in all matters that pertain to safety of construction and the prevention of accident, and that all defects now known or found in the present building laws may be eliminated.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

SOCIETIES AND ASSOCIATIONS
ASKED TO CO-OPERATE
IN THE REVISION OF THE LAWS.

Nov. 19th, 1895.

Stevenson Constable,
Superintendent of Buildings.
Chairman.

Notification concerning meeting for organization sent the following: -----00000000-----

Fire Department

157 E. 67th St.

Real Estate Exchange Limited
65 Liberty Street

N. Y. Chap. Am. Ins. of Architects,
156 Fifth Ave.

N. Y. Board of Fire Underwriters,
32 Nassau St. Room 710.

Mechanics' & Traders' Exchange,
289 Fourth Ave.

Society Architectural Ironworkers,
John Cooper, Pres. 315 East 28th St.

The Architectural League of N. Y.
215 West 57th St.

The Building Trades Club,
117 East 23rd St.

The Employers and Builders League,
24 East 125th St.

West End Association,
John C. Coleman, 10 Wall St.

Association of Master Plumbers,
Wm. J. McDermott, Pres. 155 East 58th St.

Amalgamated Society of Journeyman Plumbers and Gasfitters,
147 West 32nd St.

American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers,
Stewart A. Jellett, Pres. 12 West 31st

American Society of Mechanical Engineers,
E.F.C. Davis, Pres. 12 West 31st

Real Estate Owners and Builders Assn.
G. Vassar, Jr. Secy. Grand Union Hotel.

North Side Board of Trade,
877 Alexander Ave.

The Upper East Side Association,
170 East 60th St.

The Mason Builders Association,
117 East 23rd St.

The Master Carpenters Association,
117 East 23rd St.

American Society of Civil Engineers,
127 East 23rd St.

North Side Taxpayers Alliance,
J. A. Golden, Pres. 239 Broadway.

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Francis H. Kimball,
66 Broadway.

J. B. McElpatrick & Son,
1,402 Broadway.

No.

COURT.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS OF THE CITY
NEW YORK,

Plaintiff,

against

Defendant .

EUGENE OTTERBOURG,

Attorney to the Department o Buildings,

No. 220 Fourth Avenue,

NEW YORK CITY.

Societies and Associations
Asked to Co-operate
In the Revision of the Laws

Nov. 19th, 1895.

Stevenson Constable

Superintendent of Buildings

Chairman.

W. M. DOWE

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS OF

STABLE,
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

STEVENSON
THOMAS J. BRADY,
SUPERINTENDENT.
No 220 FOURTH AVE
NEW YORK.

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Hon. Wm L. Strong,

Mayor, City of New York.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NR 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT. U.

New York, Nov. 26th, 1895.

M.

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:--

Your communication of the 9th inst., respecting the theatre known as Jacob's Theatre, between 30th and 31st Streets on 3rd Avenue, was duly received. In reply I beg to state that the building referred to has been occupied as a theatre for many years. There is no authority of law as to such theatres to require that they shall be taken down and rebuilt fire-proof. The provisions of Section 499 of the Consolidation Act, as amended by Section 35, chapter 275 of the Laws of 1892, expressly limit the powers of this Department as to old theatres. Under these provisions such acts and things to facilitate egress in case of fire or accident and to afford requisite and proper accommodation for the public protection are authorized to be done.

Under this limited authority I have required every safeguard against fire or accident consistent with such law to be provided for at this theatre.

Yours respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.

N.B. Special Committee appointed consisting of Chief Bonner, and other experts, who made examination and passed on this.

Plans and Specifications for New Buildings filed and acted upon during July, August and September - 1895.

	No. of Plans	No. of Bld'gs	Estimated Cost
Dwelling houses Estimated cost over \$50,000	4	5	385000
Dwelling houses Estimated cost between \$20,000 & \$50,000	13	27	739000
Dwelling houses Estimated cost Less than \$20,000	32	97	1281500
Flats, Estimated cost over \$15,000	31	58	1595640
Tenement houses Estimated cost less than \$15,000	15	20	191000
Hotels and boarding houses	2	2	135000
Stores Estimated cost over \$30,000	20	20	1911000
Stores Estimated cost between \$15,000 and \$30,000	10	11	444000
Stores Estimated cost less than \$15,000	16	21	87900
Office Buildings	6	6	1850200
Manufactories, and workshops	12	13	415250
School houses	4	4	126000
Churches	1	1	85000
Public buildings - Municipal	0	0	000
Public " Places of Amusement &c	4	4	330000
Stables	23	25	309350
Frame dwellings in Twenty Third & Twenty Fourth wards	113	169	562095
Other frame Structures	88	97	97172
	<u>394</u>	<u>580</u>	<u>10,545,107</u>

~~Table 2~~

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Plans and specifications for Alterations to Buildings
 filed and acted upon during July August & September 1895.

	No. of Plans	No. of Bldgs	Estimated Cost
Dwelling Houses	104	115	\$ 2 92 40 4
Flats	34	48	1 45 9 80
Severement Houses	49	52	6 3 5 2 5
Hotels & Boarding houses	18	21	9 5 0 2 5
Stores	80	89	2 1 5 8 6 8
Office buildings	17	17	5 3 8 4 8 2
Manufactories and Workshops	37	41	9 8 1 3 6
Schools	5	5	3 7 5 3 0
Churches	6	6	3 3 6 5 0
Public buildings	19	21	9 9 6 1 0
Stables	17	18	5 4 2 0 0
Frame buildings	77	84	6 9 4 1 5
	<u>463</u>	<u>517</u>	<u>\$ 17 43 820</u>

Number of Applications for New Buildings and Alterations 857

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Violations of Law and Unsafe Buildings during the *July August & September, 1895*

NATURE	Pending last Report <i>June 30/95</i>	Received since	Total for Disposition	Removed before Action by Courts	Removed on Order of Courts	Dismissed by Courts	Discontinued	Total Final Disposition	Now Pending <i>Sept 30/95</i>	Forwarded for Prosecution
Defective construction, materials, etc.,	594	794	1388	380	0	0	15	395	993	517
Erecting, altering or removing without permit, or after disapproval,	888	541	879	291	0	0	2	293	586	437
Insufficient means of escape, fire escapes, aisles obstructed, etc.,	536	609	1145	459	0	0	83	542	603	256
Defective light and ventilation,	88	66	154	46	0	0	0	46	108	69
Defective plumbing and drainage,	202	473	675	281	0	0	2	283	392	406
Unsafe buildings,	727	668	1395	389	21	0	14	424	971	58
Totals,	2485	3151	5636	1846	21	0	116	1983	3653	1743

Notices issued during

To place fire escapes on buildings,	898
To remove violations of law,	2219
To repair passenger elevators,	47
To remove unsafe buildings,	1325
Of disapproval of plans,	562
Totals,	5051

Table 25

Proceedings of Board of Examiners during

July - August - Sept. 1895

Number of meetings held,	14
Number of cases acted upon,	314
Number of applicants for appointment as Inspectors examined,	35
Found qualified,	21
Not qualified,	14
Laid over,	

Petitions for Modification of the Law.

	APPROVED	DISAPPROVED	TOTAL
New buildings,	104	24	128
Alterations,	107	32	139
Iron shutters,	10	2	12
	221	58	279

New buildings commenced, 869
 " completed, 635

Alterations commenced, 430
 " completed, 451

2500

2500

Complaints Received and Investigated during the

July August + September 1895

NATURE	Pending last Report <i>June 30/95</i>	Received since	Total	Unfounded	Remedied on Verbal Notice	Notices to be Issued	Total	Now Pending <i>Sept 30/95</i>
Defective flues	2	7	9	6	2	0	8	1
" construction and materials	0	48	48	27	2	19	48	0
" leaders	5	36	41	16	0	21	37	4
Electric current which cannot be cut off from outside of building.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Erecting and altering without permit	2	60	62	37	0	21	58	4
Frame structures erected and removed without permit.	1	48	49	23	0	26	49	0
Front iron shutters which cannot be opened from the outside.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hoistway openings not guarded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Insufficient means of escape, fire-escapes out of repair, etc.	55	277	332	90	10	212	312	20
No iron shutters	0	4	4	0	0	4	4	0
Stairway openings floored over	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Steam pipes too near woodwork	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unsafe buildings	8	472	980	794	1	129	924	56
Unsafe passenger elevators	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
Unsafe freight elevators	1	2	3	1	0	2	3	0
Weight that floors will sustain not posted.	0	30	30	2	0	27	29	1
Woodwork too near flues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals,	74	1485	1559	997	15	461	1473	86

Inspection of Passenger Elevators during

July August + September 1895

Number inspected

941

Found to be in good order and fit for use

909

Found not in compliance with the law

32
Total 941

Number of Elevators in the City 1622

Disposition of Cases found not in compliance with law.

NATURE	Pending last Report <i>June 30/95</i>	Received since	Total	Law complied with	Now Pending <i>Sept 30/95</i>	Forwarded for Prosecution
Defective cylinders						
Defective guide rails, posts and gibs						
Defective running gear						
Doors and door locks out of repair						
Fronts of cars unprotected		9	10	19	12	7
Generally unsafe						
New ropes required		1	14	15	7	8
Run by persons under 18 years of age and incompetent persons		1	-	1	1	1
Safety attachments out of order		1	8	9	4	5
Totals,		12	32	44	24	20

Notices issued in above cases 47

Iron Beams, Columns, Girders & tested and Inspected during July, August & September 1895.

Total number tested and inspected 24934 as follows

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Beams	19,395
Columns	4,752
Lintels	602
Girders	185
	<u>24934</u>

Application of Ordinary repairs as made on Construction slips . 243

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Location of New Buildings and Alterations to Buildings
Commenced and Completed during July August and September 1895

	<u>Commenced</u>	<u>Completed</u>
<u>New Buildings</u>		
South of Chambers Street	10	6
Between Chambers and Houston Streets	30	14
" Houston and Twenty third streets	30	13
" Twenty third and fifty ninth streets	33	34
" Fifty ninth and One Hundred and tenth Sts East of 5 th Av.	32	51
" " " " " " " West of 5 th Av.	145	115
" One Hundred and tenth St and Harlem River East of 8 th Av.	122	53
" " " " " " " West of 8 th Av.	117	99
North of Harlem River South of 177 th Street	275	156
" " " North of 177 th Street	75	94
	869	635
<u>Alterations</u>		
South of Chambers Street	19	60
Between Chambers and Houston Streets	82	85
" Houston and Twenty third streets	56	54
" Twenty third and fifty ninth streets	124	113
" Fifty ninth and One Hundred and tenth Sts East of 5 th Av	30	27
" " " " " " " West of 5 th Av	27	23
" One Hundred and tenth St and Harlem River East of 8 th Av	12	30
" " " " " " " West of 8 th Av	9	15
North of Harlem River South of 177 th Street	56	36
" " " North of 177 th Street	15	10
	430	451

Report of the
Attorney to the Department of Buildings for
the quarter ending September 30th 1895.

Suits commenced	33
Letters written & copied in book	468
Notices of suits	2502
Opinions &c rendered	Numerous

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Money Received

On hand date of last report	\$171	15
Received since.....	4323	21

This amount was paid over
to the Comptroller by the Superintendent
of Buildings as required by law as follows

1895	July 1 st	171	15	
"	Aug ^t 1 st	207	62	
"	September 1	428	30	\$ 807 07
	Balance on hand Sep 30 th 1895			\$3687 29

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REPORT OF ATTORNEY TO DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

FOR DISPOSITION

DISPOSED OF

Number of Cases pending at date of last Report
June 30. 1895

Received since last Report

TOTAL

BEFORE COMMENCEMENT OF LITIGATION

Recalled, Violations removed

Recalled for other reasons

Violations removed before trial

Violations removed after judgment

Dismissed by Court

Dismissed for irregularity or insufficiency of papers

TOTAL

Cases now pending
Sept 30. 1895

NATURE OF VIOLATION

NATURE OF VIOLATION	Number of Cases pending at date of last Report <i>June 30. 1895</i>	Received since last Report	TOTAL	BEFORE COMMENCEMENT OF LITIGATION		AFTER COMMENCEMENT OF LITIGATION				TOTAL	Cases now pending <i>Sept 30. 1895</i>
				Recalled, Violations removed	Recalled for other reasons	Violations removed before trial	Violations removed after judgment	Dismissed by Court	Dismissed for irregularity or insufficiency of papers		
Fire Escape Cases	<i>329</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>567</i>	<i>141</i>	<i>43</i>	<i>27</i>			<i>28</i>	<i>239</i>	<i>346</i>
Unsafe Cases	<i>40</i>	<i>58</i>	<i>98</i>			<i>2</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>1</i>		<i>32</i>	<i>66</i>
Light and Ventilation	<i>85</i>	<i>69</i>	<i>154</i>	<i>41</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>1</i>		<i>2</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>97</i>
Plumbing and Drainage	<i>164</i>	<i>406</i>	<i>570</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>1</i>		<i>8</i>	<i>267</i>	<i>303</i>
Defective Elevators	<i>1</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>5</i>						<i>5</i>	<i>7</i>
Defective Construction, Materials, etc.	<i>330</i>	<i>517</i>	<i>847</i>	<i>235</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>4</i>		<i>36</i>	<i>317</i>	<i>530</i>
Erecting, Altering or Removing without Permit	<i>321</i>	<i>437</i>	<i>758</i>	<i>239</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>3</i>		<i>21</i>	<i>310</i>	<i>448</i>
TOTAL	<i>1270</i>	<i>1736</i>	<i>3006</i>	<i>899</i>	<i>120</i>	<i>74</i>	<i>38</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>95</i>	<i>1227</i>	<i>1797</i>

Midland

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

**NR 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,**

*STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT.*

FHD

New York,

Nov. 27, 1895.

Hon. Wm . L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir :-

In compliance with the provisions of Section 49, Chapter 410
Laws of 1882, and Chapter 275, Laws of 1892, I have the honor herewith
to submit my report of the operations of this Department for the three
months ending September 30th, 1895.

Respectfully,

Stevenson Constable
Superintendent of Buildings.



FRANK & CO. BAL.

BOND NO. 23

month ending September 30, 1893.

to submit my report of the operations of this Department for the three

laws of 1893, and Chapter 245, Laws of 1893. I have the honor herewith

in compliance with the provisions of Section 49, Chapter 410

CITY RECORD.

Please Publish and return to

MAYORS' OFFICE.

Wm. L. Burrows
Respectfully,
Chief Clerk

Superintendent of Buildings.



MAYOR'S OFFICE,

New York, Nov 29 1895.

Stevens, Contract, Esq.
Supt. etc.

Sir:

I herewith transmit, by direction of
the Mayor, Resolution of the Board of Alder-
men, No. 56

for your examination, and report to this office by
return

Yours respectfully,

Geo L. Purves, Secy.

Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SUPERINTENDENT.

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New York, Nov. 30, 1895.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I herewith return copy of the Resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No. 56, in relation to the erection of a bay window at No. 281 Sixth Ave..

Permit me to say that under the enactment of the Legislature governing this Department it is impossible for me to approve said resolution.

Yours respectfully,,

Stevenson Constable,
Superintendent of Buildings.

Enclosure.

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HON. MR. P. BELCOUR

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