

## CHINESE HONOR GRANT.

### They Will Plant a Tree on the Site of the Old Tomb.

#### REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, May 6.—There will be a weird ceremony on the site of the old Grant tomb in Riverside Park to-morrow, when the Chinese Legation and many Chinese women plant a tree as a lasting monument to show the appreciation and regard in which General Grant was held by the Chinese as a nation.

The members secured permission from the Park Board yesterday to plant an English oak, which probably will last for centuries. It will be planted in the ground, just above the spot where General Grant lay, and it will be the duty of future Legations to see that the tree has proper attention and is trimmed from time to time.

The orders for this token of respect to America's hero were sent by Li Hung Chang and the Chinese Emperor. The ceremonies invocation of the blessings of confucius. will consist of speeches in Chinese and the There will be weird chanting as the sapling is placed in the hole thus consecrated, and a fence will be built around the tree.

There is consternation among relic hunters and others who loved General Grant over the fact that the bricks and debris from the old tomb are being dumped into the North River along with other refuse at the foot of One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street. As a matter of fact, the bricks are badly broken. The old tomb was so solidly built that dynamite had to be used to raze it. The result was that the number of bricks worth keeping was very small. There are still, however, some portions of the tomb which relic hunters may turn over.

The big pieces have been set aside for disposal by Mayor Strong. The bricks saved, of which there are about 1,100, are large, white English enamel squares, which were used as the lining of the old mausoleum. These are in one of the cellars of the City Hall, and those who want them may have them upon application to Mayor Strong.



HOTEL SAVOY,  
Kansas City, Mo.  
HOTEL STILWELL,  
Pittsburg, Kans.  
THE GOODLANDER,  
Fort Scott, Kans.

## The Goodlander.

EWINS-DEAN HOTEL CO.

Fort Scott, Kans.,

1897

Mayor Strong N.Y.

Dear Sir.

Will you kindly express to  
me one of the Brick referred  
to in enclosed clipping and  
Oblige

Yours Respectfully  
A. F. Wehe

#1317 Union Ave  
Kansas City  
Mo.  
Bonnivell Newman & Calvin.



DR. A. H. GILSON.  
7 TEMPLE PLACE,  
BOSTON, MASS

1 Boston May. 7. 1897.

To His Honor

The Mayor of New York City.

I see in the 1 Boston Globe of to-day that you have bricks that were in the tomb of Gen. Grant for disposition to those that apply for the same.

If I am not too late in applying I should be pleased to receive one from you. As a Southerner I should prize the same highly - I am the first private citizen that ever gave an American Flag to a School house to fly over its roof. which I gave to the Brimmer School in Boston.

Yours very truly.

A. H. Gilson S. S. S.

**FROM** .....

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**BOSTON,**

**MASS.**

**No. 7 Temple Place,  
DR. A. H. GILSON.**

Morganton Ark  
May 7-97

Mayor Strong.

I see you have  
some of Grant's tomb's  
bricks which you will  
give as souvenirs I will  
be pleased to have one  
to remind me of that  
great man.  
I saw this in the Republic

Address

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Morganton  
Ark

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- New York



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W. H. BURGER. } Members New York Stock Exchange.

New York, May 7<sup>th</sup> 1897.

To Hon. Wm L Strong  
Mayor

Dr Sir -

The writer makes  
application for a "brick", and not  
a "gold one" either. —

Yours very truly

John J McCauley

And now a story - the applicant was  
the boy "John" who used to carry down, enter  
recall off goods sold by you at the old home  
of Plin Briggs & Douglas 57 7 Sec & in 1853/4  
and was for some years later in the Storey Sept-  
under R. Runsey - Mr. Wheelock can freshen  
your memory if needed.

My wife is something of a relic-  
hunter but she is not satisfied with me  
Yours Wm L Strong very truly

J. J. McCANLIS.

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AND  
CHARLES E. QUACKENBUSH.

236 EAST EIGHTY-SEVENTH STREET.

NEW YORK,

May 7<sup>th</sup> 1897

Hon William L Strong  
Mayor of City New York

Dear Sir

As  
one of the contributors towards completing  
the Tomb of General Grant. thought  
perhaps I could procure as a  
remembrance one of the bricks of  
General Grants old tomb. If I  
could have one would be very  
much pleased

Yours Respy  
Abraham Quackenbush

Cambridgeport Mass May 7/97

Mayer Strong &  
New York

Dear Sir

I noticed in the papers that you  
are about to distribute a lot of bricks  
from the tomb of Gen. Grant.

Realizing that my chance of obtaining  
a relic of that great soldier is very slim.  
I still beg of you the favor of one of those  
precious mementoes.

I am only a poor working man but still  
I honor the memory of that great man  
as much as any one can, and if you can  
spare me of those bricks you will have my  
heartfelt thanks

Very Truly Yours  
George Maclean  
106 Windsor St.  
Cambridgeport  
Mass

Roxbury, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 97

Mayor Strong:

I should like to procure one of the bricks from the tomb of Gen. Grant as a souvenir. If possible kindly send one by express to my address and I will pay the charges.

Respectfully

John A. Green

#60 Edgewood st.

Roxbury,

Mass.





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—AND—

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DISTRICT AND TOWN OF HUNTINGTON.

P. O. Address, SHELTON, CONN.

Shelton, Conn.

MAY 7 1897

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Maga of N.Y. City  
Dear Sir,

There are several  
parties here would like a  
brick from the late tomb  
Gen. Grant, the notice of which  
has appeared in the public prints.

Could you send me half  
a dozen and what will  
the expense be?

Yours Truly  
Tomlinson  
Tomlinson

W. H. it May 7/9

Sir:

I would respectfully  
suggest that those  
Grant bricks be  
sent to the Greeks,  
as I understand  
they are running  
short of ammunition.

Respectfully Yours

Auntie Hamburg



Mayr Strong  
City Hall  
Ct

Chelsea Mass May 7 1897

Mayor Strong  
Dear Sir

I would be pleased to have  
one of the Bricks from  
Gen Grants tomb if you  
can spare one I would  
like to place it in our  
Public Library.

Trusting you can comply  
with this request

I am Yrs Rupty

(Alderman) James G. Webber  
18 Fifth St  
Chelsea  
Mass



56 Blue Hill Ave,  
Roxbury,  
Boston,  
Mass;

Mayor Strong:

Dear Sir:

May 11, 97

If possible, we would like a Drach from Gen. Grant's Tomb to be placed in a conspicuous place, when we erect the monument to the National hymn "America". Trusting that the great public value of your gift for monumental purposes, will entitle us to some preference,

I remain -

Sincerely Yours,

Geo. E. Lothrop Jr.  
Pres. of Association.



PETITION  
OF THE  
"America" Memorial Monument Association  
OF BOSTON, MASS.,  
TO THE  
State Legislatures of the United States  
for the erection by State Appropriations  
OF A  
National Monument to the Nation's Hymn, "America."  
With endorsements by eminent Divines,  
Statesmen, Artists, Scholars, etc. . . .



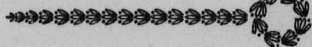
To the Governor and Legislators ;

Gentlemen :—

Your honorable Commonwealth is respectfully petitioned by the "America" Memorial Monument Association of Boston, Mass. to join by appropriation of some \$3000.00 with the other States of the Union, in erecting a grand National Monument to celebrate the authorship of the patriotic hymn, "America."

As the representatives of the people, we invite you to co-operate with us in furnishing the means for the erection of a memorial in Sculpture, that shall be in accordance with the immortal character of the Hymn, and its reverend Authors.

The achievements of War and Oratory have been celebrated by Memorials; Whereas, national Sculpture can find few grander subjects for idealization than the Hymn of the people. It is eminently proper to commemorate by a great work of Sculpture, that Hymn which was written by Rev. Samuel F. Smith, D. D., and having been sung for the first time by the school children of Boston under the direction of Lowell Mason, (who first suggested



the Hymn and furnished the ancient music for its immortalization) since which time it has become our National Hymn, sung by millions of people, and translated into the chief languages of the world.

### ENDORSEMENTS.

Hon. WM. McKINLEY of Ohio. "I am not able to speak from any personal knowledge of the merits, from an artistic standpoint, of the proposed sculptured monument to the hymn 'America', but I consider that production as worthy to be immortally enshrined in the hearts and patriotic impulses of the American people, and as deserving of perpetuation in bronze or marble. This work of Dr. Smith's will undoubtedly be an inspiration to the American people through the ages."

Sen. JOHN SHERMAN. "You may add my endorsement to those favoring a Monument to the National Hymn, America."

Apos. Dél. to U. S., Mons. MARTINELLI. "I find no difficulty in adding my humble approbation to those which you have received from other Catholic Prelates for your proposed 'America' Memorial Monument."

Cardinal SATOLLI. "I am happy to add my own approbation to that which you tell me the most reverend archbishop of Boston has given your project."

Cardinal GIBBONS. "I beg to acknowledge your favor, in which you invite my endorsement and commendation of the proposed national monument to the hymn 'America.' It gives me great pleasure to add my endorsement and commendation to that of the distinguished archbishop of Boston. Patriotism as well as religion is nourished and strengthened by the enthusiasm begotten of noble elevating sentiments set to appropriate music."

Hon. GEORGE FRED WILLIAMS. "Any work which will honor and make enduring our great national hymn meets with my hearty approval. It is the most inspiring national poem from an American pen."

ADA REHAN. "I consider it a duty which neither the highest nor the humblest of us should shirk to help perpetuate the name and fame of those who gave us national songs of national phrases to keep alive the truest patriotism, wherever or whoever they be, and I gladly consent to have my name added to the roll-call for a memorial to the author of 'America.'"

Sculptor CYRUS COBB. "I cannot conceive of a nobler subject for sculpture than the proposed monument to Doctor Smith. The more I think of it the more does my heart and soul enter into it. You are aware with what loving admiration he views my heroic statue of America, as designed for the Cambridge soldiers' monument; and what could be more appropriate than a colossal statue of America presented as the presiding genius of the author of the grand hymn, written and sung in her honor, who sits, pen in hand, contemplating those immortal lines?"

AMES STATUE COMPANY, contractors for some of the most famous bronze work and monuments in the country;

"We are very much pleased with the idea that somebody is taking the matter in hand toward a suitable memorial for the author of 'America.' We certainly don't know of anybody whose memory should be commemorated by the American people more than the above author, and it would give us great pleasure to draw a design suitable for the proposed national work."

ABBOT GRAVES: "Every American must be in sympathy with any movement to perpetuate the name of Doctor Smith, with whom I was acquainted as a boy, and in whom no one can be more interested than myself."

SAMUEL B. CAPEN: "Doctor Smith has certainly done a great work or America, and his hymn, so full of faith and freedom, will live as long as the nation stands."

Treasurer WILLIAM SHAW of Christian Endeavorers: "I heartily sympathize with the plan you have on hand to erect a national monument to the hymn 'America.'"

Mrs. HARRIET M. LOTHROP, President of the national society, Children of the American Revolution: "Nothing would please me more than to do all in my power to forward such a national memorial to Reverend Doctor Smith, author of 'America,' who was a trusted and valued friend of many years' standing of my husband."





Mayo Strong: We would like a bird  
from Grant's Tomb.  
Rev. Geo. E. Lothrop Jr.

## "America" Memorial Monument Association,

Boston, Mass., U. S. A.



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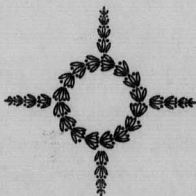
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P.O. BOX 2146.

329 & 331 Broadway,  
COR. OF WORTH STREET.

New York, May 7 1897

My dear Col:

I understand you are  
throwing bricks at your friends,  
and as an evidence that I  
am included in the category,  
I should be pleased to be hit  
in the neck with one, if agreeable  
to you - With high esteem I am

Yr truly  
Arthur V. Sullivan.

Hon. W. L. Strong }  
Mayor N. Y. City }

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SETTS OUTSIDE OF BOSTON.Worcester, Mass., May 7<sup>th</sup> 1897

DICT. BY

Mayor Strong.  
New York City.  
N. Y.

Dear Sir:—

By this letter, I put my name  
in for one of the Grant bricks.

I am only a young man, but my  
father served under Grant, during the latter  
part of the war, and is a G. A. R. man, and  
both he and I would be glad to receive  
one of the bricks.

Thanking you in advance for any  
favor, that I may receive from you, I am,

Yours respectfully.

Joseph H. Young.

Farmingtonville, Mass.

Box 69.



**LOU. H. OSTENDORFF, Jr.**  
**Wholesale Book and News Dealer,**  
14 & 16 ANN STREET,

New York, May 7 1897

Hon W. L. Strong Mayor  
City Hall  
New York City

Dear Sir

Would be pleased to have you send me one of  
the bricks as per enclosed notice  
If there is any cost for delivery of same. let me know  
and I will remit.

Yours respectfully  
Lou. H. Ostendorff Jr  
26 Palmetto St  
Brooklyn  
N.Y.

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268 Mt 73 Th  
May 6<sup>th</sup> 1897.

Hon W. L. Strong, Mayor.  
my Dear Sir.

I will be  
greatly pleased to receive an  
order for one of the books of  
Gen & Grants old Tomb - I have  
an Amateur Museum. containing  
many articles of interest & I  
would be pleased and very  
desirous, to add a book from  
Gen & Grants Tomb. to the collection.

I am Very Respectfully  
Yours - Sam<sup>l</sup> P. Read



352 West 115 St.  
New York City,  
May 8.

Hon Wm L. Strong  
Dear Mr. Mayor.

Please send me one of the  
bricks from Gen. Grant's tomb. My papa  
says hurrah for the Mayor! He is ~~so~~ a  
brick himself! And is going to be Mayor  
of Greater New York. I can write good  
enough alone but mamma is guid-  
ing my pen. very respectfully  
M. H. Goodwin.

Brooklyn, N. Y., May 8th '97.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,  
Mayor, New York City.  
Dear Sir:--

Will you kindly reserve one of  
the bricks from General Grant's tomb  
for me? As my home is in Colorado,  
I would highly appreciate one to show  
to my friends there.

Trusting I may be favored, believe me,

Respectfully,

Amelia B. Cook.

46 Brooklyn Ave.,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.



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Rochester, N. Y., May 8<sup>th</sup> 1897.

Honorable Mayor Strong  
 New York City  
 Dear Sir.

May I have the presumption to ask you  
 for one of the bricks from General Grants Old tomb, that is if you  
 intend to give any to individuals. I was a visitor in New York  
 on Grants Day & would like very much to have one in remembrance  
 of that great day.

Yours very respectfully

Wm J. Breckleton

147 Powers Bldg.

Rochester N.Y.

Dear Falmouth Mass.  
May 8. 1897

Mayor Strong  
New York  
N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

Having seen  
in the paper that you intended  
giving away the bricks of  
the late Gen Grant's temporary  
tomb. I make this application  
hoping I may be one of the  
fortunate ones. The brick I wish  
for the people of D. F. not  
for myself alone.

Very respect.

P.O. Box 32.

Howard R. Baker

Newport May 9/97  
Hon W. L. Strong  
Mayor.

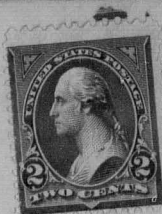
Dear Sir: Please pardon  
me for troubling you but  
may I ask you how?  
from whom? & at what cost?  
I can get a Brick from  
Genl Grants' Lomp

Please if you can find the  
time answer on the back of  
this. Yours respectfully  
E. R. Miller

Post 500 GAR

Enclosed please find an  
envelope for reply. ERM





E R Miller

Box 2090

New York

171 West 73<sup>rd</sup> St  
May 8<sup>th</sup>

Hon William L. Strong  
Mayor

My dear Sir:

When convenient  
write you kindly  
send me one of  
the Grant Tomb Burens  
Bucks and deeply  
oblige -

Very Truly Yours.  
W. S. Snyder.

171 West 73<sup>rd</sup> St  
New York.

May 8th 97

Hon W L Strong  
Dear Sir

Please send me a  
Brick in memory  
of General Grant  
and of my Father  
who served in the  
102nd N Y Volunteers  
under General Grant  
from 62 to 65 in  
many Battles hoping  
to receive one I  
Remain yours  
Respectfully  
John Waters  
132 Leonard St  
City

Boston Mass. May 8, 1897.

To His Honor, Mayor Strong.  
Dear Sir:

I would like one of those  
bricks from Gen. Grants temporary tomb.  
Hoping you will send me one as a  
historical memento and I promise faithfully  
to take the best of care of it I remain,

Your obedient servant.  
Geo. W. Smith.

53 State St. rm. 637.

Boston Mass.

Westboro Mass.  
May 8<sup>th</sup> 1897

Mayor Strong

Dear Sir

Will you please send  
me one of the Bricks of  
Gen Grant's temporary tomb

Oblige

Mrs D. R. Saunders  
Westboro

Box 69.

Mass.





Lillia A. Batchelder.

To.

Mayor Strong New York City

Dear Sir

I have just read your advertisement.  
offering 1000 bricks from General  
Grants Tomb as a Souvenir.

Dear Sir I do wish you would  
send me one. and I will pay  
all Express charges. My late Husband  
Charles F. Batchelder died in the  
year 1883. he was a <sup>a Sergeant</sup> member of  
the 15<sup>th</sup> Mass Light Battery stationed  
at New Orleans <sup>La</sup> during the  
early part of the war - he <sup>participated</sup>  
introduced me to the General <sup>a</sup>  
in that City. from that time  
on, we have all (the men folk)  
marked for the General while  
he lived



Lillia A. Batchelder.

To.

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and at his death, my <sup>large</sup> flag hung  
out of my front door draped  
with large streamer of black crape  
for 31 days. the papers commented  
on the fact at the time. our  
home, was at that time in Terre  
Haute Ind. on Mulbay St. <sup># 500</sup>

I have the <sup>same</sup> large flag <sup>marked</sup>  
Grant's <sup>hanging</sup> along my whole front hall  
today. I have all the daily papers  
about his (the General's) sickness and  
death. At Mount McGregor, <sup>tied</sup>  
up with a Black ribbon <sup>marked</sup> the papers,  
as the Terre Haute Ind. Express.  
So you see General Grant was  
almost worshipped by us all.  
I am only a Soldier's Widow.  
but I have many things to remind me  
of the war. and would like  
nothing better than a Grant Book.  
and hope you will kindly  
grant my request. I was about  
the first subscriber for his <sup>before deluded</sup> Memoires.

as soon as you they got deluded  
in Terre Haute Ind. I have them now,  
<sup>also</sup> with General Grant's Compa. in our  
to Vol. my Brother in Law. Joseph <sup>140th</sup>  
Bethel, was a Corporal in Mass. <sup>1st</sup>  
regt Vols. <sup>he</sup> died at North Adams Mass  
in 1876. <sup>Jan 18</sup> was <sup>he</sup> Vice Com. of Indiana Post  
of North Adams. my other Brother in  
Law, was a Petre Officer, on board  
of the Wabash. <sup>San Diego</sup> was lost overboard  
near Williamanton 1864. my Brother  
Charles E. Edes, was a drummer in  
the Mass 26 Regt. stationed at  
Ship Island, <sup>New Orleans</sup> he is still alive  
and lives with me at the present  
time my <sup>later</sup> Father was a sutler in  
the Army of the Potomac. so you  
see by this. how much we  
shall prize the Grant Book  
so hoping you will send me  
one. I will acknowledge your reply  
I hope you will give my



Love to Mrs Grant, and any  
one of her dear children  
her Daughter Nellie especially.

I remain Yours very respectfully  
Mrs Lillia A. Batchelder.

Neat Brookline Back Bay.

Boston May 8th 1897.



Boston, May 1, 1897.

Dear Sir,

I read in the  
Boston Daily Globe that you  
were giving away bricks from  
Grant's tomb. If you will  
please be so kind as to  
send one or a piece of one on  
to me. I will pay express  
charges and be very much  
obliged to you.

H. N. Carbery.

address,

H. N. Carbery.

# 94 Blackstone St.  
of Town. Boston,  
Mass

126, East-122, st  
New York  
May 8<sup>th</sup>/97

Mayor W. L. Strong  
-Your Honor.

I have under-  
stood that the bricks  
from the Tomb of  
Gen Grant. were  
to be given to the

members of the  
Grand Army. My  
late husband Capt  
Edward S. Shurtliff.  
(who died last year)  
was a member of  
Alexander Hamilton  
Post 182. Will you  
kindly give me one  
of the books, or let  
me know how I can  
get one?

Very Respectfully  
Mrs Edward S. Shurtliff

ELECTRIC HOUSE,

→ 306 and 308 Lexington Street. ←

A. E. PAROW, PROP.

East Boston, Mass.

May 8 1894

To the Hon. Mayor Strong;

Dear Sir:-

As my father was a Veteran in the  
War, <sup>mother</sup> my mother would like one of the  
bricks from Gen. Grant as a  
memento.

Yours truly,  
from.

Francis A. Parow  
# 306 to 308 Lexington St.  
East Boston, Mass.

New York, May 9<sup>th</sup> 1897  
Hon. Col. Wm L. Strong  
Mayor of City of New York  
Honored Sir-

Would  
you be kind enough and forward  
to me one of those Memorial Bricks  
from the temporary tomb of Gen.  
U.S. Grant - My father fought  
under that illustrious General  
during the War of the Rebellion,  
and I would like to <sup>have</sup> some memento  
of remembrance for myself and  
family to keep ever green in our  
minds the many events in his  
illustrious life, as well as the  
imposing ceremonies and parade  
at the dedication of the tomb  
on April 27 1897.  
By so doing



you will greatly oblige

Yours very respectfully

John Henrich Jr

258 Hudson St

New York City

Utica May 9<sup>th</sup> 1897  
Mayor Strong

Dear Sir

I see by one  
of our papers, that you  
have some bricks, from  
Grant's old tomb, which  
you will give to relic hunters,

I should very much  
like one, if you would  
give me one.

If not asking too  
much, please send one  
by express, C & D, to  
Mrs C W Pratt, 15 Summit  
Place Utica New York,  
& oblige, Yours &c  
Emma L Pratt

May. 10/97  
94. West 103 St. N.Y. City

Hon. Mayor Strong.

Esteemed Sir.

I am desirous of  
securing one of the bricks of Genl  
Grant's tomb. as a souvenir  
I assure you. I would appreciate it. If  
I could secure one.

Thanking you in advance I am

Yours Truly

Joseph V. Randall



Auburndale Mass

May 10. 1897

"Mayor Strong"

New York City N.Y.

Dear Sir,

I read in the  
"Boston" papers you were giving  
away bricks from "General Grant's  
tomb, if it would not be ask-  
ing too much if you have  
one to spare would you give  
me one." Hoping to hear from  
you, I remain Yours respectfully

Lula Bird Hunter

Box 279

Auburndale Mass



Louie J. Harris'  
TOURS.

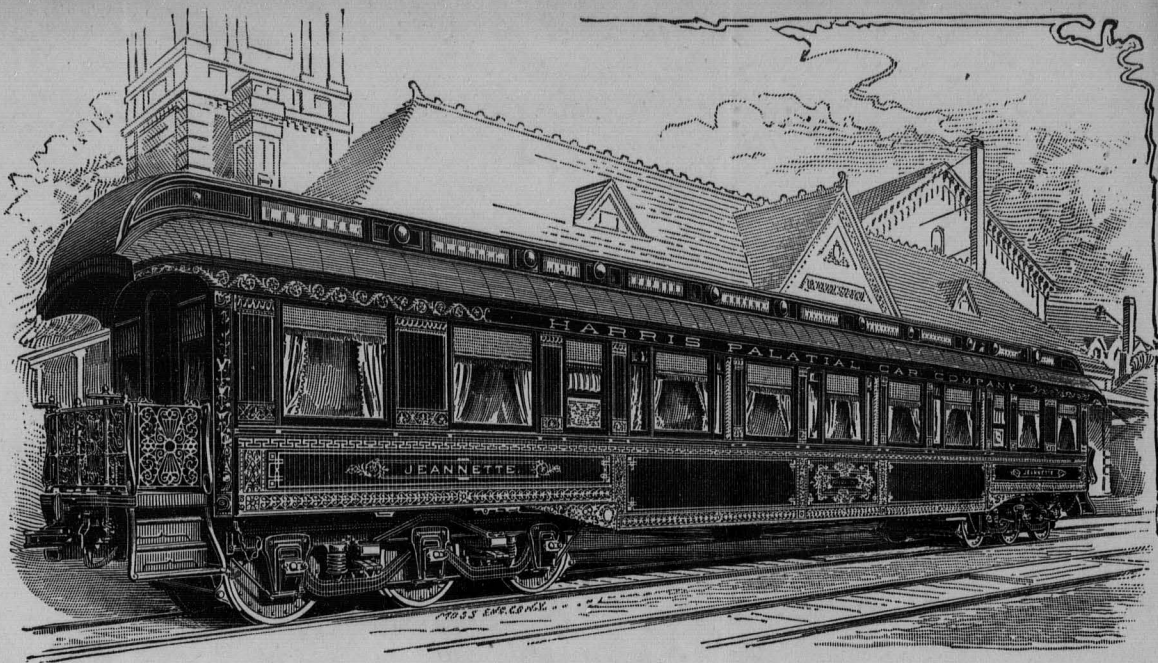
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General Offices,

244 WASHINGTON ST.,

Globe Building,

BOSTON, - MASS.



Boston, May 10th. 1897.

Mayor Strong

New York City!

Dear Sir! It has been brought to my notice, that you are distributing "Bricks from Gen. Grant's Tomb." As my business brings me in a position to get a collection of noted articles: from all parts of the world, and having had charge of our party numbering 215 at the dedication of the new Mausoleum, I would like to add to my Collection a "Brick."

Yours Respectfully.

Louie J. Harris.

689. 10th St.  
Brooklyn.

Brooklyn.

*M. G.*

May 10<sup>th</sup> 1899.

Honorable Sir

May I ask you  
if you will help us  
or rather the sick poor  
of St. Marys Hospital -  
Garden party? by sending  
us one of the Bricks?  
from the Tomb - of our  
Deceased General. Grant in  
Explanation we unnecessary  
and would only take up  
your valuable time -  
Yours &c

Fate Lucia 6899

If we do not say much we  
will thank you very much.

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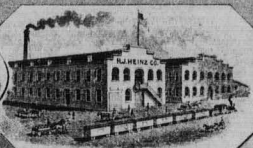




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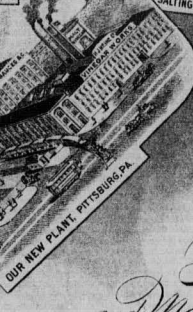


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Replying to your favor of \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor Wm. G. Strong,  
New York.

Dear Sir:--

Mr. H. J. Heinz of our firm is the possessor of one of the largest private collections of curios in this city, which he has secured personally in his travels in different parts of the world. He is informed that the temporary Grant tomb is soon to be taken down, and is very desirous to secure one of the bricks for his collection. If you can assist him in this matter we assure you that the courtesy will be very highly appreciated indeed.

Our Mr. Merritt Horner, who is manager of one of our branch factories located at Hicksville, Long Island, called at your office recently, and made a verbal request for this brick, and was told that the proper course would be to write to your Honor for the same. If you will kindly state when and where the brick may be obtained Mr. Horner will take pleasure in calling for the same.

Trusting that we may be honored with your favorable reply,  
we remain.

Yours very truly,

*H. J. Heinz Co.*  
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## The Churchman

THE REPRESENTATIVE WEEKLY  
OF THE  
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

CHURCHMAN BUILDING.  
47 LAFAYETTE PLACE.  
NEW YORK.

May 10, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,  
New York City.

Dear Sir:--

In my mother's name, I wish to make application for one of the bricks used in the construction of the temporary tomb of Gen. Grant. She was unable, through poor health, to witness the ceremonies and parade of nearly a fortnight ago, and is therefore all the more anxious to secure one of the bricks as an enduring souvenir of the occasion.

Believe me,

Very truly yours,

E. M. Kepper



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Westbrook Me., July 10 1897

Hon Mayor Strong -  
Dear Sir:

I would like very much to receive a brick from the tomb of the late General Grant <sup>and</sup> I was a soldier of the army of the Potomac and I should appreciate it very much. I see an ad in the paper "Boston Globe" that they were to be distributed to the Grand Army. Please forward via American Exp. and I will pay all charges.

Yours H. D. Ward  
H. D. Ward

H. D. Ward

Westbrook Me. (East End)

DR. M. ORDWAY DALY,  
29 HOLLIS ST.

Boston, *10 May* 1897

To His Honor,

Mayor Strong.

My dear Sir

Just a week ago I wrote to you asking the favor that I might receive a brick from the tomb of Gen. Grant. I wrote my reasons for desiring one at some length. No doubt the pressure of business has prevented your sending a reply right away. However I hope that you will have my letter on file and that if you do give any away that I may get one. You certainly will not give one to any body who will appreciate the gift more than I.

Very truly yrs.

M. Ordway Daly.

Donkensburg Missouri  
5/10. 97.

Mayor. Strong. Sir  
I notice in St Louis  
Republic. The statement  
~~that~~ Bricks from the Old tomb  
of Gen Grant are being distributed  
I am making a collection  
of Souvenirs. And I so  
much want to possess one  
of these White Bricks, or a  
fragment of one. if I  
can not get a whole one.  
Would you please send  
one. and how much postage  
should I send for it.  
I hope to hear from you  
soon



Very. Soon.  
Respr

Mrs Josie Forsyth

Danversburg  
Mo.

I am so anxious to add  
if only a fragment of the  
brick to my collection.

Will send postage for  
correspondence and specimen.

Respr



Wm. Cady 2nd 10/97

Bro: It will be simply  
sawing those Grant  
bricks to give them to  
the G.A.R. - as the G.A.R.  
is out for the bundle  
not for bricks.

But for heavens'  
sake don't let Pat  
Gleason get hold of  
them - & he & his <sup>various</sup> wild  
Hibernians will  
<sup>injure</sup> kill every decent  
man in Long Island  
City !!!

Yours truly

Wm. Cady



*His Honor Mayor Strong*  
*City Hall*  
*City*

May 10, 1897.

To the Honorable William Strong  
Mayor of New York City;

Dear Sir,

Being  
unable to see you, Thursday  
when I called at the City Hall  
I take the privilege of writing.

As I am an American,  
I am very anxious to obtain  
through your benevolence  
a book from the Tourist's Club

Wrote, of General Grant.

Hope I am not asking  
too much of a favor.

I would appreciate your  
kindness in granting this  
request and value the brick  
most highly.

Will you kindly let me  
know if I may hope to  
possess a brick?

Respectfully,  
(Miss) Sara A. Grant  
256 West 22<sup>nd</sup> St.  
New York City.



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Boston, Mass., May 11<sup>th</sup> 1897

Hon. W. H. Strong;  
Dear Sir,

I noticed the enclosed clipping in the Boston Daily Globe and should the supply not have given out, I should be much pleased to add one of these bricks to my small collection of relics. But if I do not get one, I hope that one will be surely sent to Li Hung Chang, in consideration of his latest expression of respect to the memory of his friend, Gen. W. S. Grant.

Very respectfully

John L. Rollins

#### BRICKS TO BE GIVEN AWAY.

Do you want a brick from Gen Grant's temporary tomb as a souvenir?

Mayor Strong of New York has 1000 of them to give away. Applications must be presented in writing, and, after proper investigation, they will be honored in the order in which they are received, the requests from Grand Army posts being filled first. With each brick given away the mayor will send an autograph letter attesting the genuineness of the brick.

The bricks are from the inner walls of the tomb and are of a special make. They are all of white clay, with a glazed front, and with a square hole cut in the bottom of each.

too late

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Wagon Strong.

Dear Sir,

Noticing an item in the Boston Globe of May 7<sup>th</sup> that any one wishing a brick from Gen. Grant's temporary tomb could have one by applying to you, I take the liberty of asking for one for my husband who would ~~greatly~~ prize it very much. He served in the war five years in the 97<sup>th</sup> Penn Co. G. and was wounded and is still lame. His address is

Wm H. Snyder.  
Milton, Mass.

May 11<sup>th</sup> 1897-

OFFICE OF  
**GEO. RANKIN & SON,**  
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**Fine China, Cut Glass and Lamps.**  
No. 42 EAST STATE STREET.

Ithaca, N. Y. May 10<sup>th</sup> 1897

Dear Henry

Could you get  
me one of the Bricks from Gen.  
Sprunt's old Tomb from Mayor  
Strong? I read in the Sun that  
the Mayor had reserved a large  
number of these Bricks for those  
who applied for them, and if  
you could get one for me before  
they have been disposed of, I  
would be obliged. If it were  
possible for you to get Mayor  
Strong to write his name as  
Mayor of the City of Ithaca,  
and also the date, on the  
Brick, it would make it  
more valuable as a souvenir.  
I wish it for my boys  
Rob and George who would  
prize it very highly.

Sincerely your friend  
Geo. S. Rankin

P.S.

Send it by N.Y. Express if you  
can obtain it.



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ALBRIDGE C. SMITH,  
HENRY WHITE.

New York May 11<sup>th</sup> 1897  
Hon Wm L Strong:

Dear Sir: I have received the enclosure-  
quest from an old friend whose business  
relations with this city are very close  
and of long standing. If you can  
comply with it, it would be a very  
much appreciated by me.

Very truly yours  
Henry White



*Mayor's Office.*  
*Brooklyn, N.Y.* May 11, 1897.

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

Dear Sir:

In reply to your communication of May 10th, would say that I shall be glad to aid you in any way in distributing to the public schools of this city the bricks from the temporary tomb of General Grant. I herewith inclose a list of the grammar and primary schools of the city, and also the town of Flatlands, now the 32nd Ward of Brooklyn, making 119 schools in all. If you could have them sent to the rooms of the Board of Education, No. 131 Livingston Street, I would see that they were distributed from that point to each of the schools.

If you could also let me have, say two dozen bricks, I would feel greatly obliged, as I have received several requests for them.

Thanking you in advance, and assuring you that I shall be glad to be of any assistance in the matter, I am,

Respectfully,

*F. W. Winter*  
M a y o r.



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NEW YORK,

May 12<sup>th</sup> 1897

Hon. Wm. H. Strong  
City Hall  
Dear Sir:

Will you please be so kind as to let me  
have one of the bricks from the late Gen. Grant's tomb.  
Hoping you may be able to accommodate me and thanking  
you in advance. I remain

Very sincerely,  
John Feinhardt

## LINCOLN MUSEUM.

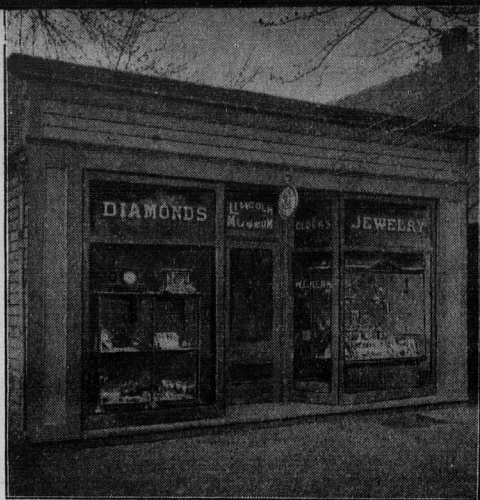
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Pawnee City, Nebraska,

May 1897.

Genl Horace Porter, New York.

Greeting

I understand you are from the Old Kentucky State, so will be brief you will notice I have a museum in my store free to the public, have a Register, & 1955 people have written in it since July 11. 96. among them hundreds of old veterans as this Western country is full of them, and not all Pops either. Keep the soldier's record by State, each one with Co - Reg - & P.O. address. I would like you my dear General, to get me one of those bricks or even a piece if you cannot get a whole one but a whole one especially coming from you would be prized higher by the veterans. of the late tomb of our illustrious Genl U.S. Grant. have a paper giving a full account of his death &c I want to place this with it. wrap up in good stout paper send by express at my expense. writing your name on inside or a card inside so can give you proper credit in future catalogues. I hope to see you.

Walter C. Kern



*Office of Henry K. McHarg,  
Banker & Broker,  
No. 40 Wall Street,*

*Member New York Stock Exchange.*

*New York,* May 12, 1897. *189*

Hon. Wm. L. Strong, Mayor.

New York City.

My dear Sir:-

I hate to add to any of your necessarily laborious duties, but Gen. Porter's mail has been turned over to me since his departure for France. Among his letters is the one enclosed.

I understand that you have some of these bricks in your charge in keeping. Will you not order one of them shipped to this man at Pawnee City, Neb ?

Very truly yours,

*Henry K. McHarg*

157 W. 111<sup>th</sup> St.

Thy. May 12<sup>th</sup> 1897

Hon. Wm. L. Strong.  
Mayor City of N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I would greatly  
appreciate one of the  
bricks from Grant's Tomb  
as a memento.

I am one of the members  
of the Society Daughters of the  
American Revolution which  
presented the flag staff  
which is planted at the  
Tomb Respectfully,

Wm. K. Vreeland  
W. A. R.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
Senate Chamber, Boston.

Boston May 12<sup>th</sup> 1897.

Mr. Mayor.

I see by the papers, that you have caused the bricks taken from the tomb of Genl. Grant to be preserved, and that G. A. R. Posts and others can obtain them.

I am very much interested in such matters and if I can obtain one of the bricks I shall be greatly obliged to you if you will kindly indicate to me what will be necessary for me to do to obtain one.

Respy.  
Wm. H. Brigham.



Hindsburgh N.Y. May 13<sup>th</sup> 97  
Mayor Strong  
New York City  
Orleans So  
Dear Sir

I see by the papers you are giving some of the remnants of General Grants Tomb to your personal friends as Souvenir if this is true I would appreciate it very much if you would send me the same. I was a member of the Legislature at the time of the Generals death was one of the members that attended his funeral saw ~~him~~ placed in the old Tomb was also at the last services

Respectfully Yours  
To Hon William L. Strong. J M Gibble



May 13/97

Dear Mr Mayor -

Will you kindly give  
me a brick from  
your "Frank tomb"?

I ask it because  
my husband Edwin  
Bucknigh is an old  
Soldier <sup>Charter</sup> - Member of No. 7  
F. Adell F. A. R. Post of  
Brooklyn. altho we live in  
this City now. Altho he was

in the war. & carries the  
memory of it in his left  
elbow, he will ask no  
favours of the government  
he helped maintain. But  
for the sake of his  
daughters. I think we  
are entitled to this one  
favor. at least.

And again. I worked  
for you. In connection with  
the 96<sup>th</sup> St Cadets. And we  
take pride in saying that  
our work helped elect you

And we expect to work & vote in-  
directly for you again. For we  
trust you will be our next <sup>first</sup> Mayor  
of Greater New York. We have watched  
your administration with great  
interest.

If not asking too much  
I would like the brick to be our gotu  
White ones. Please. Either send it to  
me, or say I may send Messinger for it.

Yours Respectly

Mrs Emma Beckwith #34 Framery  
Tark



M. Plummer & Co.  
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Watson F. Munger.

45 Beekman Street.

New York, May 13<sup>th</sup> 1897.

Mr. Wm. L. Strong, Mayor.  
City Hall, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Having seen in the N. Y. Sun several days ago that you had 1000 books from Gen. Grant's temporary tomb, to distribute to those who applied for them in writing, I hereby make application for one.

I am a strong admirer of Gen. Grant, whose conduct and services during the Civil War, made us all under obligations to him that we can never repay, but which I am sorry to say some people cannot see and with whom I have always warmly espoused his cause.

I hope the article above  
(P. T. O.)

mentioned is correct and that  
I will be in time to secure  
the mementos.

Very truly yours,  
F. W. Abbott.

of McPhummet & Co.,  
45 Beekman St.,  
N.Y. City.

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Hon. Mayor Strong.  
 NEW YORK, May 13 1897

Hon. Mayor Strong.

I am  
 the son of the late Sir  
James Stack, of the 162<sup>nd</sup>  
 Regiment, N. Y. Co.

I have the pleasure of asking  
 you for one of the Bricks which  
 came out of the old Grants  
Yont.

I think I am deserving of  
 one because my <sup>Hon. F.</sup> Father  
 fought very hard for this  
 Country.

He carried a large foot  
 from the time of the war  
 until the 30<sup>th</sup> of June 1896.

There was two or three  
 medals coming to him but  
 because these so-called  
men up at Albany thought  
 over it they have not seen



J. H. LABAREE &amp; CO.,

125 &amp; 127 FRONT STREET.

NEW YORK, *May 3<sup>rd</sup>*, 189*7*

Received yet so I think  
I should get one of those  
Bricks to remember my Father  
*Sir* James Shack & Gen. U. S. Grant.  
By.

Please do not have this Published,  
For other Particulars write to  
address below.

I remain,

Yours respectfully  
James F. Shack  
169<sup>th</sup> St.

Near Sheridan Ave.  
City

May 23/92

Merchants' Club,  
106-108 LEONARD ST. NEW YORK.

Dear Col - I read the  
N.Y. Press of this AM  
that splendid <sup>to</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>man</sup> ~~man~~  
be & have you <sup>Wagon</sup>  
of <sup>Great</sup> N.Y. - a <sup>more</sup>  
Conscientious <sup>Threat</sup> <sup>man</sup>  
I pray you <sup>\$5.00</sup> for one  
of the <sup>Grant</sup> <sup>Tomb</sup> <sup>Briests</sup>  
You can give <sup>some</sup> <sup>to</sup> <sup>some</sup>  
N.Y. Charity - provided, it has

Gr Indemness  
An gemine  
May, you,

Sig W. Poy

To the G. L. S. Poy  
Mayor of New



'97  
Methuen, May 13.

Mayor Strong:

Please send if the  
bricks from Gen. Grant's  
tomb are not all taken  
by the G. A. R. Posts of the  
county, one to me.  
I think my brother's  
war records entitle  
me to one. There  
term of service begins  
with Pres. Lincoln's first  
call for troops,  
over

I hat - means Bathimer  
to the surrender of  
Gen. Lee

Refer for Li. Pat.  
100. Wm. B. Greene,  
Methuen, Mass.

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Methuen,  
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New York City, May 13, 1897.

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

My dear Mr. Mayor:

The following suggestion  
is at your service, as a hint toward answering  
query in this morning's Tribune, as to the  
inscription on bricks from Gen. Grant's Tomb:

Ulysses S. Grant.

Patricae Salvator.

This brick helped for a time to protect his  
remains. Its work is done. The tomb (of  
which it was an humble part) has given  
place to a grander and more enduring monument.

Hereafter this brick shall testify (to all  
generations) the value of duty well done.

The Saviour of his Country would have  
been powerless, if each soldier had not  
done his part.

Yours very truly

Wm. R. Weeks.



Milford Mass May 16 1897  
Major Strong

Dear Sir,

I recently saw in the papers that you are distributing the bricks that were in the old Grant tomb to the different S. A. R. posts, although I have nothing to do with the post. I have a large private collection of relics and curios including relics of the Lincoln and Garfield families which has always been free for anyone to see that wishes to. My collection has been exhibited a number of times for the benefit to the S. A. R. post and churches. Now I would like very much to have one of the bricks as a relic of the greatest general that ever lived. I have an autograph letter that General Grant wrote me several years ago when I asked him for his autograph. I hope that you will pardon my boldness in addressing you

and will kindly grant my request.

Fraternally yours

H. E. Rockwood

#12 Chapin street Milford  
Mass.

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May 16. /97

Hon William L Strong

Dear Sir

Owing to an  
absence from home. I  
have only to-day received  
the brief from Gen.  
Grant's Tomb which  
you so kindly sent me  
I thank you very  
much for it

Very Respectfully

Mrs Julia P. Shurtliff



*City Hall,* May 18th, 1897

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor New York City.

Dear Sir:-

We have in this city eighteen buildings devoted to school purposes.

In behalf of the children I thank you for your kind offer of presenting each of these buildings with a brick from the monument of our Nation's Hero, General Grant.

By sending them to me I will have them properly distributed.

Yours very truly,

*A. J. Gleason*

Dudley, Battelle & Hurd.

New York, May 18 1897

Hon W. L. Strong  
Mayor of New York City -

Sir

As a great admirer of  
General W. D. Grant - & a contributor  
to the Monument Fund, I should  
be pleased to have a "Brace" from  
the old Tomb - as a memento -

Yours truly

Chas E. Barr -

53 North St -

N.Y.

C. Dudley Battelle & Hurd



May 19th, '97

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Hon. Wm. Strong,

New York,

My dear sir;-

I notice that you have at your disposal some bricks from Gen. Grant's old tomb. I would esteem it very much of a favor if you would be kind enough to send me one, and I would assure you that it will not only be thoroughly appreciated, but there will be such care taken of it-~~that~~- as is befitting should be given to anything that is associated with so distinguished an American as was Gen. Grant.

Hoping that you may be able to see your way clear to grant my request, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Chas. Kerler, Jr.

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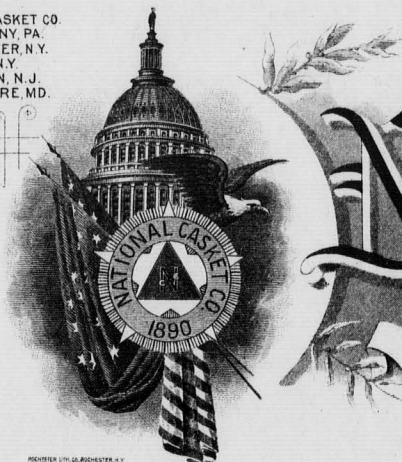
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DR. M. ORDWAY DALY,  
29 HOLLIS ST.

Thos Homer,

Boston, 24 May 1897

Mayor Strong.

My dear Sir.

About three weeks  
ago I wrote you in regard to a  
brick from the tomb of Gen. Grant  
and told you all the reasons  
for wanting one, and later I  
wrote you saying that I hoped  
you would keep my application  
on file and that I might get  
one later. I hope you will not  
think I am too persistent  
in my appeals, but I am  
particularly anxious to have  
one and I can assure you  
that of all those that you

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may distribute, there will be  
none that will be guarded  
and treasured with more  
reverence and love than the  
one I hope to receive. I ap-  
preciate the fact that there  
will be thousands of applica-  
tions more than you can  
grant; but when I wrote I  
had seen nothing about the  
books being given away. I  
hope you will let me know  
the prospects of my receiving  
one. Wishing you very success  
I am,

Very truly yrs  
M Ordway Daly

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*Boston* May 24<sup>th</sup> 1897  
Hon. Wm L. Strong  
Mayor New York City

Sir — Being a member of Ancient  
& Honorable Artillery Co of Boston I  
write you to ask if you would send  
me one of the Bricks from Genl.  
Grants tomb, as I would like to present  
it to our old Company <sup>the</sup> oldest  
in America — charter dated 1638 —

I have a brick taken from John Browns  
House in Harpers Ferry W. Va & I wish  
to present both of them at the same time  
If this would be agreeable to you I  
would be pleased to receive it —

Respectfully Yours  
Sergt. Edwin E. Snow  
90 Pearl St  
Boston —



HENRY L. RUPERT,  
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR,  
15 WEST 43D STREET,  
NEW YORK.

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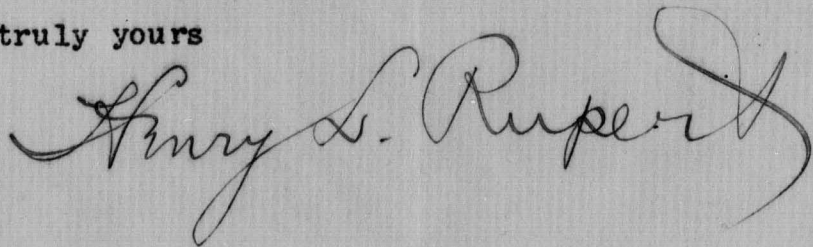
Hon William L. Strong

Mayor of New York City

Dear sir: If all the bricks from the old Grant's Tomb have not been distributed, I shall be pleased to receive one if I am not encroaching upon the privileges of the Schools among which I have read you intend to distribute them.

Very truly yours

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Henry L. Rupert". The signature is fluid and elegant, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

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135 Hudson Street,

New York, May 25th. 1897

Wm. L. Strong Mayor

New York City.

Dear Mr. Mayor;

I have an aunt visiting me from Lake City. Iowa. The widow of Col. David Carskaddon. 9th. Iowa Volunteers. My uncle enlisted at the outbreak of the war and was appointed captain of a company very shortly after his enlistment at the solicitation of the men of his company.

He was promoted through the various intermediate commands to the post of Colonel, was wounded before Atlanta, but served throughout the war.

His widow is a member of the W.R.C. of Lake City. Iowa, and is very desirous of having one of the bricks from the temporary tomb of the great Commander to carry back with her and present to the post in her town.

If you have any left, the writer will be glad to call for it if you will state how it may be obtained. Trusting that you may be able to meet her wishes, I am your obedient servant,

*Shugler Carskaddon*



EDWARD B. WALKER  
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW,  
NATIONAL BANK BUILDING,  
WALDEN, ORANGE COUNTY, NEW YORK.

May 25, 1897,

Hon. William L. Strong,

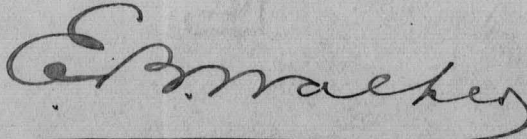
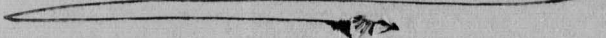
Mayor of the City of New York, New York, N. Y.,

My dear sir:

I have been invited to address the Members of the Grand Army Post here on Memorial Day, and it has occurred to me that the presentation to them at that time of one of the bricks from the old tomb of General Grant would be a very happy and exceedingly appropriate idea. It would be an exceedingly pleasant surprise to these veterans ( among whom are the survivors of the famous " Orange Blossoms " one of the fighting regiments ) and I would like the pleasure of making this presentation to them in your name.

Will you therefore get to me in proper season one of these much sought for relics, and accompany it with a brief message?

Yours very truly,



Salem May 1897

Dear Sir Will you please Send me  
one of the Souvenir Bricks of  
General Grant's Tomb  
I want it to put into a  
Collection of War Relicks  
that is in this City.

— William F Chapple — a  
Comrade of Post 34. I  
was one of the Minute Men  
of the first Call. Co of Eight Reg<sup>t</sup>  
Mass. Vol<sup>t</sup>. after which 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Mass Vol<sup>t</sup>.

— County of Essex Massachusetts