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FACTORY: MILLVILLE, N. J.

New York City,

Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> /96.

Hon. Wm L. Strong  
Mayor of New York.  
Dear Sir,

I would kindly call your attention ~~to~~ the Police in Leonard Street Station, the kind of work they do in the Dry Goods district of Lispenard Street.

A policeman has reported that on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October, I had a few cases on the walk.

In answer to this would say that this is considered outrageous, as during the time I am in the dry goods that cases I have always got to be put on the walk before they can be taken in the

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building, as there is no other way to  
take them <sup>in or out</sup> and all through the Dry  
Goods District you will find cases  
that way.

And to make such complaints  
why they would have to report this every  
day as you will find in front of every  
house there are cases always on the walk.  
and we can not take them in or out  
of the building unless its got to be on the  
walk. If your honor can not give me  
any information regarding this, would  
you kindly inform me whome I can see  
regarding this matter

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*New York City,*

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*Trusting to hear from you  
and hope you will not feel offended.*

*I Remain Respectfully  
S. Liebovitz  
JR.*

New York Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> 96.  
258 West-25<sup>th</sup> Street

Honorable Mayor Strong

Respected Sir

Permit me to lay before you an important necessity and right for the people. I do not ask you like many fanatics and professional agitators to bleed the City Treasury. Contrary! it is for the benefit of the General public in which I am interested, and you as the Mayor of our dear City are placed to guide the Safety, Wants, and Interest of it's people. May 25<sup>th</sup>. I appeared before the Board of Aldermen Room 16 City Hall at a public hearing and made an earnest appeal to that honorable body to grant the franchise to the Com.

sumers Fuel Gas Heat and Power Company  
to lay their Mains in our City. as I have  
learned through the Newspapers that that  
Co. stepped forward to offer their Gas  
at 40 and 50 C per thousand cubic feet  
to the public, when I know that we had  
to pay \$1.25 right along and knowing  
how splendid such an opportunity and  
lowest offer and that there may be some  
opposition of stumbling blocks in the  
way. I ventured to do my Duty I have  
in behalf of the people of New York.  
My Manuscript is now in the hands of  
the honorable Board of Aldermen on  
record and tomorrow Tuesday afternoon  
there will be another and final hearing  
it is hoped that the Consumers Fuel Gas  
Heat and Power Company will be gran-  
ted their franchise. as it appeared by the  
last hearing everything seem to be fa-  
vorable towards their direction. I have

heard from private sources that you own stock in one of the other Companies may it be so, or not, I beg of you dear Sir to lay aside your personal feelings and show your loyalty in dealing justly towards the people who have placed you at the position you occupy today.

There will be general rejoicing among them, when they learn that the Street-opening means cheaper Gas, less care, less dust, less ashes, and saving of time and money, not speaking of the great comfort and convenience derived from burning Gas as fuel.

I know, you will not hesitate to advise your name and approval by granting the franchise to the C. F. G. H. and T. Co. It is surprising for the public to learn, that two other Companies under the guise of dif. Names made their appearance and offer Gas at the same price

it looks to far thinking people very strange and their petitions should not be granted. it would be unfair and unjust towards the first Company and people. as they may be imposed upon by rising the price little by little under some protest when in the hands of a Monopoly.

I wish to ad that some years ago, you may perhaps remember that the Gas Com<sup>ny</sup> raised the price from \$1.25 to 1.75 a Mr. Scherwood a good philanthropic Gentleman who found a Society called it Gas Consumers protective League held large Mass Meetings engaged prominent speakers paid for everything himself, people called him a Crank but he fought for his Countries people and won the battle. The papers at that time were filled with Columns after Columns with Gas, Gas nothing but Gas until people saw light and helped to fight-

the battle. I promise to do the same if you or the Board of Aldermen or the Committee on Streets refuse to grant the franchise to the Consumers, Fuel, Gas, Heat and Power Company.

May my sincer effort and Wishes be granted in the name of the people and reduce their expences in this hard and trying times

Very Cordially yours  
Wm. C. L. Morehouse

JAMES G. WALLACE,  
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New York, November 2nd. 1896

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

Dear Sir:--

In consequence of my intended change of residence within a few days, I will no longer be eligible to act as a School Inspector of the 16th. School District, to which position, your Honor kindly appointed me.

If you will please accept my grateful acknowledgment for the honor conferred, as well as my resignation, of said office, you will greatly oblige,

Yours Very Respectfully,

*James G. Wallace*

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*New York,* 2d Nov. 1896 *189*

Dear Sir:

In the event of the election of McKinley I should like to meet, between the hours of 12 noon and 4 P. M. on 4th inst. all my Sound Money friends in order that we may celebrate the victory. My own offices, although ample in space in one way, are too much cut up for a large gathering, hence I have appropriated the 6th floor, Pine Street wing of this building in which to hold the jollification and would be glad to have you call and join us in a cheer for Old Glory and the prosperity of the Nation.

Very truly yours,

*John F. Doyle*

*To*  
*Hon Wm L. Strong*  
*Mayor N. Y. City*



New York, November 2<sup>d</sup> 1896

My dear Mr Mayor!

What's the matter with  
the Marshalls <sup>and</sup> Executive Committee  
presenting General Porter with a  
set of Resolutions for his superb  
conduct of the Parade - Any  
he has the greatest Military  
head of any one living.

Yours faithfully

John L Baker



No. 396 -

New York, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> 1896  
4 Stone Street.

Dear Sir:

I beg leave to inform you that I have been appointed by my Government as Delegate of the Republic of Guatemala to the Pan-American Medical Congress to be held in the City of Mexico during the month of November and, inasmuch as such appointment requires that I visit the city of Mexico, I hereby, in pursuance to the authority vested in me by the Guatemala Government, constitute and appoint my son Dr. Joaquin Yela Jr to act for me and in my stead as Consul General at the port of N. Y. during such time as the duties of my office render necessary that I be absent from this country.

Believe me, Sir, with the assurances of my highest consideration,

very respectfully, Yours,

Joaquin Yela  
Consul General

Hon. Mayor of the City of New York.

City

Mary Halpern, D. D. S.

November 4<sup>th</sup> 76

Hon W<sup>m</sup> Strong

Mayor of the City of New-York

Honored Sir:

I have lately had the pleasure of your interview in behalf of a very deserving & highly respectable family, Mr D. Levitin, who is about to be deprived of his last means of maintenance, by the action of the Board of Aldermen His News Stand, by him lately acquired at the South-West corner of 3<sup>d</sup> Ave & 76<sup>th</sup> St and for which he paid \$450, the aggregate savings of a period of 15 years of a life full of privation, is to be taken away from him and given to a man by the name

Thomas Mc Guintry

Your Honor has during said interview expressed your indignation at such an injustice and accused us of your interference in behalf of Mr Levitin.

To my great regret I have erroneously stated the name of the favorite.

I then stated that his first name was Jahn; it now appears that there are 2 favorites: Thomas Mc Guintry is to get the permit for the stand now occupied by Mr Levitin on the South West corner of 32 Ave & 76<sup>th</sup> str, and Jahn Mc Guintry is promised the opposite corner.

The fate of my friend's family is now in the hands of your Honor and I dare trust that through your kind interference in this matter, justice will prevail.

Thanking your Honor for your extreme kindness

I am very respectfully yours  
Mary Halpern

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(WHERE ANY REPLY SHOULD BE SENT.)

33A.....Np.....Ob.....21 Paid 1:20 P. M.

Atlanta Ga. Nov. 4"/96.

Hon. L. Strong,

Mayor City Of New York,

NEW YORK CITY.

Our country to be congratulated on the great victory for Gold,  
Government, Sound Money, and Protection of American Labor  
and Industries.

Rob't. J. Lowrey.

TELEPHONE  
3647 CORT.

FORM 2 T. W. N. Y.



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No responsibility regarding messages attaches to this Company until the same are presented and accepted at one of its transmitting offices; and if a message is sent to such office by one of this Company's messengers, he acts for that purpose as the agent of the sender.

Messages will be delivered free within the established free delivery limits of the terminal office. For delivery at a greater distance a special charge will be made to cover the cost of such delivery.

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No employee of this Company is authorized to vary the foregoing.

JOHN O. STEVENS,  
Secretary.

ALBERT B. CHANDLER,  
President and General Manager.

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FORT ORANGE CLUB,  
110 WASHINGTON AVENUE.

Nov 4<sup>th</sup> "

Dear Mr. Strong!-

It

is now your o'clock  
and before I retire

I want to ask

you to rejoice with  
me on Mr McKimley's  
election. The Country  
has been saved

from disunion  
and for twenty  
years to come the  
Democrats will  
never see daylight.

Hoping to call on  
you in person  
some day next week

Believe me sincerely

Frank Strong Stet.

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The Outlook  
A Family Paper  
Clinton Hall 13 Astor Place  
New York

Nov. 4, 1896.

My Dear General Collis:

I want to thank you for what you have done in the way of improving the condition at the foot of Rivington and Delancey Streets. I am quite sure it will give you pleasure to know that a club of tenement house women last Thursday afternoon passed a vote of thanks to you for what you had done to improve the condition of the streets at that point. You will receive a note from the Secretary of the club, but I thought it best to write this note lest hers should not be explicit.

I also want to thank you for the great improvement in the building of bridges over excavations in the sidewalks in New York. It is this attention to the small things that make for decency, that mean the development of decency in our young people. At 12, or 14 Delancey Street there is a flight of stairs over the sidewalk that I am quite sure will not meet with your approval. The men employed about that building seem to be of a very low order, and unfortunately the small children in that locality have not yet recovered from the effects of trucks permanently located in the streets. One generation of children must suffer from that awful evil. On Friday and on Thursday in passing that building I was struck with two things that occurred. I am quite sure you would not tolerate those stairs if you saw them.

Yours gratefully,

*Lillian W. Betts.*  
*per C.C.*

General Collis,  
Commissioner of Public Works,

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*New York,* Nov. 4th, 1896.

Wm. L. Strong, Esq., Pres.

City.

Dear Sir:-

I extend to you personally and officially my heartiest congratulations for the glorious result our party has achieved.

Would it not be well for us to assume that our Executive Committee had authorized a vote of thanks to the Chief of Police or the Police Commissioner, for the official services rendered us by the Department on Saturday last, and write them an official letter in that sense? If you will so direct I will act accordingly.

Truly yours,

  
Sec'y.

New York, Nov. 5. 1896

Hon. Wm. L. Strong.

Dear Sir

I desire to bring to your notice, and lay before you for investigation, a matter of complaint which has already too long existed, and that is, an association, known as the "Murray Hill Lyceum" in East 34 St. in this city, have for several months past, and during the week days in those months had many meetings and sociables of different kinds, at which

they have employed and used Orchestral music in the evenings on which their meetings and entertainments were held.

The music did not cease at midnight, or at a reasonable hour, but was prolonged far beyond 12 o'clock, and until 3 or 4 o'clock <sup>in the evening</sup> of the following day, thus causing much disturbance to persons living in the neighborhood, and who require rest at night.

This practice has become so frequent, that it requires attention, and the nuisance abate at once. Were this an ordinary dwelling house, it would doubtless have been reported by the police, and

if the practice were continued after a complaint had been made, the offender would have been brought before the Court, and either fined or sentenced to a term of days as a penalty, on Blackwell's Island. The practice of which I complain still continues, a meeting occurring at this place last Saturday Eve. Oct 31. and lasting until 3 o'clock on the following Sunday morning.

It is a violation of the law, and especially of the Sunday law, and those who transgress should be held accountable.

Now I hope as I have stated fully the facts in the case, that there will be no further cause of complaint in this matter, but that you will see that the

law is strictly enforced,  
and an aid speedily made  
of the existing state of affairs  
to which I have alluded,  
and thus another cause  
for which the people will  
be thankful in the work  
of reform begun and carried  
out through your efforts  
while in office, will be  
added to the list of good deeds,  
and deserving commendation.

Trusting you will give  
the matter due consideration,  
and proper relief granted.

I am

Yours Respectfully  
Chas. E. Woodbury

LAW OFFICES,  
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PATERSON, N.J.  
SAVINGS INSTITUTION BUILDING.

Nov, 5, 1896.

Hon. W. L. Strong,

My dear Mayor-

Your telegram of congratulations on behalf  
of the Wholesale Dry Goods Republican Club of New York City has  
just been laid before me.

Please express to the members of the Association my sincere  
thanks for their greetings and the kind expressions of confidence  
in me. A great victory has been won and a great error I trust  
has been crushed and never to be revived.

Thanking you again, believe me,

Sincerely yours,

*Garret A. Hobart*



TIMOTHY L. WOODRUFF, COMMISSIONER

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*Brooklyn, Nov. 5, 1896.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor, New York City, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

I duly received your very kind congratulatory telegram, and hasten to acknowledge my appreciation of your extreme thoughtfulness. We certainly won a great victory, and I had hoped to see the majority by which you were elected exceeded in New York City. However, I am satisfied now that no man lives who can beat you at anything, especially as a candidate before the people.

I hope you will have occasion to visit Albany this winter, and afford me the opportunity of entertaining you there.

With best wishes, I beg to remain,

Your sincere friend,

*Timothy L. Woodruff*

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NEW YORK, November 5th., 1896.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York,

P R E S E N T .

My dear Sir:-

A short time ago you were kind enough to write to my firm, calling our attention to the \$16,000,000. 3 1/2% Gold Bonds which our City wishes to sell on the 10th. inst.

I then answered you that, if after Mr. Mc Kinley's election the money markets warranted it, we should be glad to submit a bid in conjunction with our foreign or American friends.

You are doubtless aware that since then the money markets in Europe have hardened considerably, so that I do not think that any foreign banker will be inclined to bid for a considerable amount of these 3 1/2% bonds, if at all at present.

As for the New York market, you are, of course, as well able to judge the same as I am, but it seems to me that by the 10th. inst. financial matters may not have settled down sufficiently yet, and that there is considerable danger that the \$16,000,000. 3 1/2% bonds at par may not be fully bid for.

I am reluctant to offer any advice or opinion, but it seems to me that, by postponing the sale of the bonds, for say

two weeks, the interests of the City would be best served. Of course, I do not know whether such a postponement is legally feasible, but, if it is, I feel that no harm could come to the City, whilst the chances for the sale of the bonds might then be considerably improved.

Apologizing for the liberty I am taking, I remain,

Dear Sir,

Yours very respectfully,

*James Spyer.*

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The Mail and Express.  
THE LEADING EVENING PAPER.  
NEW YORK.

ROBERT C. ALEXANDER,  
Editor.

Nov. 5, 1896.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong  
City Hall.

Dear Mr. Mayor.

This will introduce  
Rev. Huie Kin, of this  
city, who has done ex-  
cellent work among the  
Chinese, and who is con-  
nected with the mission  
work in the church of  
my brother, Rev. Mr. George  
Alexander. I hope you  
will see your way clear  
to grant his request.

Yours truly R. C. Alexander

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New York, Nov. 6, 1896

Dear Colonel:

Some time since you kindly sent me a photo. of yourself to be placed among the founders of this Society. Would you please send me another, cabinet size, a little different position if you have one, to put among the first year officers I am trying to collect together.

I have already obtained elegant portraits of Gen. Ewing, Whitlaw Reid, Gen. Swayne Col. Fogg, Carson Lake (Gen. Ewing's the latter I had taken myself from copies obtained from the family,) and Homer Lee.

Hoping you will comply with my request at no very distant day

and not consider me presumptuous  
in asking the same,

I am Dear Colonel

Very truly Yours,

Geo. D. Littleton

Custodian

Wm. D. Strong

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Good Government Club

Mo. 6/96

Hon. Wm. L. Strong

May I be permitted to call your attention to a matter in school government which I think would save thousands of dollars to our overtaxed citizens and increase the efficiency of our schools viz. — One Principal for the fourteen grades. As an ex-teacher I know that it would be a benefit for our schools were we to try the Brooklyn system. In Brooklyn the Principal

not only had entire charge  
of all departments in the  
building but in some cases  
also of annexes or branch  
buildings.

Yours Respectfully  
Louisa Kow  
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of City School



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NEW YORK, *Nov 24* 189*7*

Hon. *Wm L. Strong*  
Mayor of New York

Dear Sir

Mr. Smith

tells me that the "Old Dutch  
Records" are about ready to  
distribute, and I wish to  
remind you of my application  
for a copy filed with you in

May last.

I greatly desire this  
as a memento of my  
connection with your  
administration - the  
most successful effort  
for reform ever made  
in this city - and  
I hope you will be  
able to grant my  
request.

Yours Very Truly  
C. F. Watson

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450 FIFTH AVENUE.

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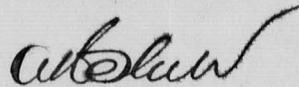
My Dear Sir :

On behalf of the Campaign Committee of this Club, I desire to thank you for the eminent services you have rendered it and the Republican Party as a speaker during the campaign which has just ended.

I unite with you in congratulating the country upon the success that has attended its efforts, and beg to assure you that your services have been highly appreciated, and should receive the approval of all good citizens.

Yours faithfully,

Hon. William L. Strong.



Chairman, Campaign Committee.

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# The Volunteers of America.

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS:

34 UNION SQUARE,

NEW YORK CITY,

(Entrance on East Sixteenth Street.)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH 1896.

*COMMANDER AND MRS. BALLINGTON BOOTH have pleasure in drawing your attention to the great Prisoners' Hope Demonstration which is to be held in the Carnegie Music Hall on Monday evening, November 9th, at 8 o'clock.*

*Since the inauguration of the Volunteer movement in March last, at the request of a large body of American citizens, Mrs. Booth has devoted much thought and attention to this one of the most serious social problems of the present time, viz., the reformation of the criminal section of the community. Having been invited by authorities of the largest State prisons to commence this work Mrs. Booth has now become fairly launched on a scheme of the most tremendous responsibility, but also one with the most splendid prospects and possibilities before it, and she will take the opportunity on Monday next of stating what has been done already and what her plans are for the future.*

*Commander Booth will preside and will be supported by a large staff of Volunteer workers. You are cordially invited to attend.*

*Tickets may be had at the door, or if you wish to secure them earlier you can do so by applying either personally or by letter at the above address. **Prices: Ground Floor, 25 cents each; Boxes, \$5; Single Seats in Box, 50 cents.***

*Should you not be able to attend and would like to help Mrs. Booth in a work which will entail upon her a very heavy financial responsibility she will be glad to receive a donation from you.*

M. B. B.

34 Union Square,  
New York City,

November 7<sup>th</sup> 1896.

My dear Sir,

I take the liberty of enclosing an invitation to my Prisoners' Hope Demonstration in Carnegie Hall on Monday evening next

The work which I now find myself engaged in is one of the greatest importance not only to the friendless men within our prison walls but also to society at large.

My husband and myself have received so many tokens of encouragement from the American people since we commenced our Volunteered work in March

last that I feel I may venture  
to ask that you will make  
an effort to attend this meeting  
Should this be impossible may  
I ask that you will either  
send some other person or persons  
to represent you or to aid the  
work by sending me a  
donation.

Very truly yours  
For God & Country but  
especially for our Country's freedom  
Maud B. Booth

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THE COLONIAL CLUB,  
NEW YORK.

Nov. 8/96

To Mayor W. L. Strong:

Dear Sir:

Why not have half-day  
school in the crowded  
sections & so give  
a chance to the crowded  
out by giving them  
half a day also?  
This is all the children  
get in the

private Schools,  
Yours Respectfully

Madison C. Peters

New York Nov 8<sup>th</sup> 1896  
520 W. 51<sup>st</sup> St

Hon. W. L. Strong

Dear Sir:

In reference to your suggestions to the churches to help supply accommodations for the children unable to gain admittance to the public schools, kindly allow me to call your attention to the fact that about all of the old school buildings have their first floors occupied by the janitors, there is thousands of unoccupied basements or flats that they could engage to live

in and that would then  
give a large floor in the  
many buildings for the  
children, and besides  
the old school buildings  
are as a rule in the  
crowded districts, these  
extra floors if made  
suitable for school purposes  
they would hold as many  
scholars as the churches  
and they would be in  
the school buildings  
and the city would not  
be under any obligations  
Kindly excuse the liberty  
in addressing you on  
this subject but I thought  
it might interest you I  
am sure you will be sur-  
prised at the amount of  
space occupied by the janitors  
you. Respectfully  
E. P. Gould 520 W 51<sup>st</sup> St.



*State of New York.*

**Comptroller's Office.**

*Albany.* Sept. 28, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor,

New York City.

D e a r   S i r :-

The City of New York is indebted to the State of New York to the amount, in round numbers, of \$1,500,000., arising from the failure of the city to pay its proportion for the care of the insane. One-half or more of this amount is already in judgment, and the State is in need of the money.

I have written Comptroller Fitch with reference to the matter, and he has thrown the responsibility of not receiving the money upon you. He says in substance that the sale of bonds which he made, and from the proceeds of which he intended to pay the State, was set aside by the Commission; and that he sees no way in which to pay this money except from the sale of bonds.

Being so greatly in need of money as we are, I venture to call your attention to this matter in the hope that you will be able to find some moneys to pay us the amount due.

Very respectfully yours,

*James A. Roberts* Comptroller.



*State of New York,*

**Comptroller's Office.**

*Albany,*

Nov. 9, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor,

New York City.

D e a r   S i r :-

As I understand, a sale of bonds is to take place to-day for the purpose of meeting, among other things, the balance due the State. I trust that the money will be forwarded at a very early date, as we are much in need of it.

I beg to call your attention to the fact that the amount due the State is running at six per cent now, and that it is beyond my power to make it less than six per cent; so that even if the bonds do not bring the full amount that you feel they ought--certainly to the extent of the amount due the State--it would seem to me to be business policy to stop, at as early a date as possible, the payment of the 6% interest. Pardon me for troubling you with this suggestion, but our need is so great that I venture to do it.

Very respectfully yours,

*Samuel A. Roberts*

Comptroller.

(TELEPHONE ADDRESS: CORTLANDT 2869 A)  
LAW OFFICES OF  
B. LEWINSON,  
TEMPLE COURT, (119 NASSAU ST.)  
NEW YORK.

New York, Nov. 9th, 1896.

W. L. Strong, Esq.,

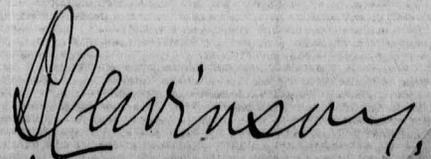
Dear Sir:-

When, having been appointed by you Inspector of Schools last Spring, I called on you to express my regrets that the appointment had been for the wrong district, you said so many gracious things about the very flattering recommendations which had been made of me, and the very high qualifications attributed to me by friends, <sup>and</sup> so profusely expressed your regrets at the mistake, that I felt encouraged to say that I should take the liberty of becoming a candidate for appointment as Commissioner. Your reply to me, at the time, was that that was a matter that would not come up until November, and that I should leave it until then.

You did not then cut off all hope; and that is what brought me back to you last Friday.

When, last Friday, you so emphatically refused to entertain the matter, I told you that I was very grateful to you for being so candid, because it would save annoyance to yourself and to my friends. I am still as grateful, because I consider your candor a mark of consideration. I don't care, however, to be considered by you as presumptuous, in having made the suggestion; and, therefore, write you these lines, purely in justification for my having come to you as I did.

With great respect, Very truly yours,



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Camp Memorial Church  
and Mission,  
141 Chrystie St., New York.  
Rev. H. G. Miller,  
Pastor.

Nov 10<sup>th</sup> 1896

To the Hon. W. L. Strong  
Mayor New York City -

Sir. Will you kindly give to  
the bearer, Samuel Medlemann permission  
to hold open air meetings (Gospel Meetings)  
on the corner of Chrystie Street & Water  
and in the vicinity of Chrystie St. as far  
as Broadway St. - Mr Medlemann is  
a very earnest convert from Judaism, is  
quite intelligent and has the welfare of  
his own people on his heart. He  
will have with him friends to assist him  
in the meetings who are all to be commended  
as well as himself -

Respectfully

H. G. Miller  
Pastor

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J. H. J. REILLEY,  
SECRETARY.

Providence, R. I. November 10<sup>th</sup> 1896.

Hon. W. L. Strong,  
City Hall  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir;

It gives me pleasure to inform you that, at the Annual Convention of Newsdealers, Booksellers, and Stationers of the United States, held in Boston Mass., October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> 1896, the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to Mayor Strong, of New York City, for his many favors to the New York Newsdealers Association.

Yours Very Truly  
John H. Reilley  
Secretary

Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> 1896.

His Excellency

Hon. Wm. L. Strong;

Mayor N. Y. City;

Honored Sir:-

I trust  
your Honor will pardon  
me for writing you this  
letter, but I sincerely  
hope you will give it  
your attention. There  
has been organized in  
this city, a Club  
known as the "Standard  
Base Ball Club," and  
for some years, we

have entertained the public at our games. Now in order to equip our team for the coming season, we have decided to give a Reception, as His Honor will see from the circular enclosed, and the club has placed upon me the responsibility of writing you, our esteemed Mayor, to see if you would kindly purchase a ticket or so from us. Any little assistance Your Honor can

give us with thank-  
 fully be received,  
 and duly acknowledged.  
 It is not our intention  
 to impose upon good  
 nature, but knowing  
 that Your Honor  
 never refuse a needed  
 request, and believing  
 you will help us,  
 I therefore write  
 this letter, begging  
 your Honor to pardon  
 me for the liberty I  
 take in writing.  
 Thanking you in  
 advance for such  
 help as your Honor  
 may render, and

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hoping to have your  
distinguished presence  
at some of our games  
next season -

I remain

Respectfully

Yours

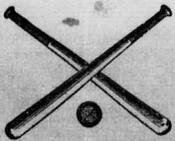
Standard

Base Ball

Club,

Per. Robt. H. Epps  
148 W. 52<sup>d</sup> St.  
City.

P.S. This is the nature of the letter sent your Honor last Wednesday and to have I been delivered to you, at the meeting of the Wholesale Dry Goods Club, by a Mr. Bradley. I heartily rejoice with your Honor in the glorious victory of our party at the recent election. R.H.E.

**FIRST GRAND ANNUAL  
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OF THE  
STAN  DARD  
BASE BALL CLUB,**

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**TICKETS, Including Hat Check. 35 CENTS.**

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We are very grateful to our many friends and well-wishers for past favors, in favoring us with their presence at our games this season, and the Committee do point with pride to the enjoyment we will endeavor to afford all who favor us with their presence at this our first entertainment, and trust you will be one with us.

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104 SULLIVAN STREET,

*Hon. W. L. Strong  
Mayor of the  
City of N. Y.*

*New York, November 11<sup>th</sup> 1896.*

DEAR FRIEND:

The extra work of last summer, when our school kept open, and some alterations which we were compelled to make, have necessitated outlays for which we were not provided. A very inconvenient debt to the amount of \$400. is the outcome of this.

We take this auspicious season as an occasion to appeal to you, and ask you to make a generous contribution which will chip off part of the sum total of our indebtedness.

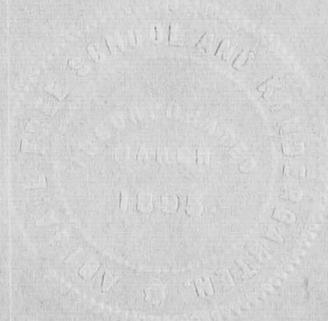
Trusting to the dear Lord to direct you in this matter,

I remain,  
Yours truly,

C. PR. DEVARE.

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in favor of:*

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*New York,* November 11th. 1896.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong.

City Hall - N. Y.

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th. inst. in reply to mine of same date, in re. the North Reviewing Stand.

In estimating the total amount of expenditures, the bills for this stand and its decoration were not included. Therefore I have paid all the current expenses, including the bill for decorating said Stand, leaving a cash balance on hand of less than Two hundred Dollars.

In order to if possible, relieve you from responsibility for the deficiency, caused by the bad faith of the County Committee, I propose to address those organizations which <sup>have</sup> paid only one subscription of \$50.00, informing them of a deficiency, caused by unforeseen expenses, and requesting a further payment by them to meet same. I will advise you of the outcome later, and meanwhile request that you delay settlement with the builders.

Yours very truly,

*E. A. Drake*

TREE PLANTING ASSOCIATION  
OF  
NEW YORK CITY.

New York, Nov. 12th, 1896.

Dear Sir:-

Notice of the First Annual Meeting of The Tree Planting Association, which is to be held on Tuesday, December 8th, will shortly be sent to the members.

As it is desirable to interest as many property owners as possible in the success of the movement for planting trees in the streets of New York, and so beautifying the City, the Association takes pleasure in enclosing a few blank applications for membership and will be pleased to have you send them to those of your public spirited friends who will be likely to take an interest in this work.

Very truly yours,

W. A. STILES.

Acting Secretary.

*TREE PLANTING ASSOCIATION*  
*OF*  
*NEW YORK CITY.*

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I desire to become a member of the "Tree Planting Association of New York City" the object of which shall be to encourage tree planting in the residential streets of New York; and the annual dues of which shall not in any event exceed \$5.00.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign and return to  
*CORNELIUS B. MITCHELL,*  
*64 & 66 WHITE STREET, NEW YORK.*

TREE PLANTING ASSOCIATION  
OF  
NEW YORK CITY.

New York, Nov. 12th, 1896.

Hon. W. L. Strong, President,  
The Tree Planting Association,  
N. Y. City.

My dear Colonel:-

The Constitution provides that the First Annual Meeting of The Tree Palnting Association shall be held on Tuesday, the 8th day of December. The House Committee of the Wool Club have very kindly offered the use of their rooms for the meeting.

I presume that Four o'clock in the afternoon will suit the greatest number of members.

It will be a great benefit to the Association if you will attend and preside, and I hope that your other engagements will not prevent your doing so.

Will you kindly make a memorandum of the date and hour in your note-book so that we can count on having you. We will try to make it as interesting as possible to the members without taking too much of their time.

Sincerely yours,

Cornelius B. Mitchell  
Vice Pres<sup>t</sup>

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*Binghamton, N.Y.* Nov. 12, 1896.

WILLIAM MILL BUTLER, EDITOR AND BUSINESS MANAGER.

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

Dear Sir:-

The December number of the HOME MAGAZINE, which is published by the Commercial Travelers' Home Association of America, is to be made a special Fair souvenir number, in connection with the great Fair at Madison Square Garden. In this number we desire to give the portraits of the honorary officers of the Fair committee. Will you kindly send us, as soon as possible, a photograph of yourself, to be used for this purpose? We send you a copy of our last issue, showing what the HOME MAGAZINE is like.

Very Truly Yours,

*William Mill Butler*

Editor and Business Manager HOME MAGAZINE.

(Dictated)  
M.

November 12<sup>TH</sup> 1896

WOODLEA  
SCARBOROUGH-ON-HUDSON

Honorable Wm L. Strong,  
Mayor of New York.

Dear Sir,

~~The~~ notice of my  
appointment as a Civil  
Service Commissioner has  
been forwarded to me  
from my city address  
and I have but just  
received it.

Allow me to express my  
high appreciation of the  
honor and responsibility  
of the position.

As I expect to at-  
tend a funeral in the  
country to-morrow, I will  
not be able to call un-  
til 11 am on Saturday  
to take the oath of office.

Yours very respectfully,  
W<sup>m</sup> Jay Schiffelin

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JAMES R. J. RYAN,

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829 COLUMBUS AVE.,

New York, Nov 12 1896

Hon Wm S. Strong  
Dear Sir

This being the first time I have had occasion to write our Mayor hope you will favor me with reply to following - am I a Citizen <sup>and</sup> Store keeper not allowed same privilage as the Italian Fruit dealers <sup>and</sup> Boot blacks (mostly non Citizens namely to procure Licence to display goods within stoop - the Police of this 26<sup>th</sup>) Precinct have notified me to remove outside display which understand is within stoop line - Called on Sargent at desk who kindly hands

me Copy of Ordinance which  
States Newspapers - Soda Stands  
Fruit & Shoe Blacking Stands  
can procure permits from our  
Board of Aldermen but no  
mention whatever as to how  
Store keepers such as I am to  
do - the Police interpret it  
that we cannot set out sample  
line of goods for display  
your Hon is this not a case  
of "Fish of one Flesh of the  
other" - have at all times  
complied with our laws <sup>and</sup>  
mean to do so now - but  
I firmly believe the Police  
are "off the track" on this  
matter <sup>and</sup> misunderstand the  
Ordinance - does it forbid  
me to display sample line of  
my wares within stoop line  
kindly answer  
yours Respty Jack J. Ryan

GEORGE H. BENJAMIN, } SCIENTIFIC EXPERT & ENGINEER.  
                          } PATENTS & PATENT LAW.

Cable Address:  
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TELEPHONE, 3931 CORTLANDT.

Aldrich Court,

*45 Broadway,  
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November 12th, 1896.

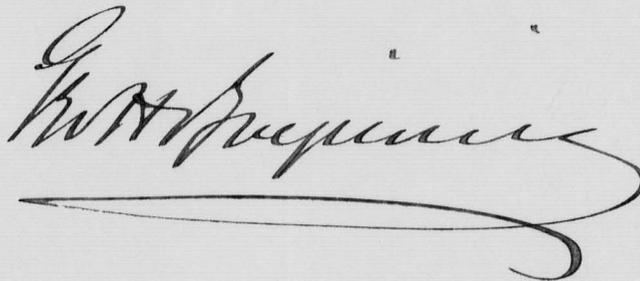
Hon. Wm. L. Strong,  
Mayor's Office,  
New York City, N. Y.

Sir:-

I am glad to see that my letter to you of October 22nd, complaining of the inactivity of the Water Purveyor has put some life into that fossil. All of the matters complained of, have, or are, receiving attention.

Permit me to say that an administration such as yours has been, has made good Republicans out of former Democrats.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "G. H. Benjamin", with a long, sweeping underline.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12, 1896 189

His Honor, The Mayor, W.L. Strong,  
City Hall,  
New York, N.Y.

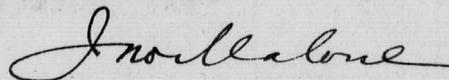
Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to offer you the enclosed cards of invitation to a meeting of the Actors' Society of America, at the Broadway Theatre, Thursday, November 19, 1896, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Your presence will confer a great honor upon our Society, and will be most cordially esteemed. If you will kindly notify the Secretary, a place will be reserved for you.

In case you should be prevented from attending may I ask you to send to me an expression of your views with regard to the objects of the Society. Any brief form of opinion upon the matter will be gratefully received. Will you also permit me to quote your communication to the meeting? In the circular enclosed herewith, to which I beg to call your attention, I have stated the aim and purpose of the Society and I trust you will find them and the methods of the Society compatible with your well known integrity of principle and action.

Yours very faithfully,



Pres't. Actors' Society of America.

WM. BARCLAY PARSONS, C. E.

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22 WILLIAM STREET,

NEW YORK, November 13, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,  
Mayor, City of New York,  
City Hall, N.Y.

My dear Sir:

I learn by letter today from Mr. Milbury that you stated to him that you have never received a copy of my report on "Rapid Transit in Foreign Cities." This report was issued before you took a seat in the Board, but I was under the impression that after you became a member I sent you a copy. If I did not I must apologize for my oversight and hasten to make good my neglect.

Very truly yours,

*Wm. Barclay Parsons.*

Rock Side

Plainfield North.

New Jersey.

November 13<sup>th</sup> / 96.

Hon. Wm. C. Strong.

Mayer.

New York.

My Dear Sir:

Every proud and distinguished son of New York has had triple cause for rejoicing in these glorious Jubilee days. Firstly: Because his heart must have been glad to witness or hear of the glorious "Host" which valiantly and grandly marched up America's greatest thoroughfare, and gave such glorious testimony of their zeal in the interests of "Sound Money".

Secondly; because his heart has been made glad, in hearing in unmistakable tones the voice of the people which is the supreme law. declare with such marked effect in favor of "National Integrity" and the sustenance and maintenance of our American institutions. principles which are or ought to be cherished by every man who hails from the great City and Empire State.

Thirdly; because of the faith which so many have exemplified and confidence they entertain in the integrity and stability of the City of New York, which confidence they support in their willingness to bid for its promises, and hold to the reliance that the Greater New York incorporated under your administration will meet its obligations "dollar for dollar" strictly in accordance with its promises.

I should consider myself unworthy to  
be claimed as a friend and distinguished  
son should I fail to join in congratulations,  
which I heartily commit to you.

I should indeed I assure you much  
prefer to express my congratulations to you  
in person were the conditions such that  
I might be privileged so to do. For I am  
in obligatory retirement. The restrictions,  
conditions being such as are beyond my control  
and which I cannot explain upon paper.

There are indeed days for rejoicing  
upon the part of every true and loyal  
Republican and all believers in "honesty"  
of Government. Now that Maj. Mc-  
Kinley's election has been assumed. I  
presume you gentlemen <sup>in N. Y.</sup> interested  
in "National Affairs" are beginning to  
become interested in the coming President's  
"political family" - and are wondering

who may be selected to surround the distinguished gentlemen in the Cabinet. I trust that in its make-up, a deep sense of patriotism may prevail.

Mr. Hanna truly defined several days ago the true patriot. He is not the spoils seeker, but <sup>his patriotism</sup> should be regarded as he eloquently said by the sacrifices he has made. I should go even farther in defining him. A true patriot should be regarded for the sacrifices he has been obliged to make. I presume some gentlemen are on the side and quite anxious to know who Major ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> truly referred to when he said, as is reported of him, that there is not a gentleman worthy of receiving anything that the country might afford him.

I might offer a suggestion as to whom I think the gentleman is concerning whom he referred to, but I must not for reasons suggest upon this line.

with a high appreciative sense of  
the glorious and progressive times ahead.  
as I think I foresee them. I again  
congratulate you personally and as  
a representative of the leading issues  
in which you have taken so prominent  
a part during the past fortnight.

I wish it were possible for  
that "prince of men" whom I loved  
and you honor "Mr. A. Pemberton"  
to have joined with us.

Hoping that the conditions which  
hold and compel me to remain in  
retirement may ere long be removed.  
and that I shall have the exalted  
privilege of seeing you in person  
— I am with personal regard.

Hastily but Very Truly Yours

John Verden

Nov 13<sup>th</sup> / 06

Dear Sir

Being a historical recorder of the growth of Public Spirit & liberality among the sects I enclose a stamp respectfully requesting the names of those churches that have responded to your noble appeal for more school-house accommodation, & hope you will kindly acquiesce.

Of yours

J. H. Brill.

Wm W. L. Strong. Athenia. N. J.

ELMER A. ALLEN  
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR  
80 BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

November 13, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,  
Mayor.

Sir:

I respectfully resign the office of Inspector of Common Schools in the 34th School District.

An Inspector must visit the schools during the school hours; namely, between 9 and 3; and such visits of inspection should be unhurried and be frequent enough to insure definite and reliable reports.

My business and other duties prevent my making such visits during the hours stated. Therefore I present my resignation, and sincerely regret that I did not foresee this objection to my taking an inspectorship.

I beg to add, that my interest is unabated in the sound improvement of the City's educational system; and I hope that you will have no difficulty in appointing a fit person in my place. I would suggest that any one of the following named persons would be a competent Inspector, but I do not know as to their willingness to take the appointment. Mrs Mc Cracken wife of Chancellor Mc Cracken of N. Y. University, Albert L. Willis 8 Hampden Street, Frank D. Wilsey 69 West Street, Fred A. Fernald of Popular Science Monthly 72 Fifth Avenue: all living on the west side of the 34th District.

Thanking you for your kind consideration heretofore extended to me, I am

Very respectfully yours

*Elmer A. Allen*

*Residence, 313 St James St.*

New York

Nov 10 " 1896.

To the Mayor of the City, County and State  
of New York.

Some few days ago I appeared before Magistrate Crane of Essex Market Police Court, and made charges against my husband for assault and non-support.

After giving the complaint briefly the Magistrate then ordered that a "Summons" be issued for the appearance of the Defendant on the return day: Having procured the Summons & having the same personally served, I appeared on the return day, when I learned that the Defendant ignored the Service of the Summons thereby disregarding the dignity of the Court. Another person and myself then obtained a second "Summons" endorsed by the Magistrate "Final Notice" upon the same and received instructions to have the Police Officer on post to serve the same, but owing to some personal acquaintance having existed between the Officer and my husband, the Officer did not care to serve him.

Again I went to the Court to seek justice only to learn the same thing had happened as a means of redress. I then respectfully requested the Court for a Warrant, and was told to wait.

a few days longer.

Do you think I am being fairly treated and dealt with according to Law? especially when I have two young children to support, and am in destitute circumstances, having the misfortune of meeting a husband who is addicted to drink and who squanders his money with the liquor seller's, then coming home and abusing me in whatever way he sees fit.

May I appeal to you as a means of justice and with the hopes of obtaining redress in this matter as there seems to be some obstruction with this Court, so much so, that unless I do, I will be reluctantly compelled to place my children in the hands of the Gerry Soc., and my husband earns \$13 dollars per week, and can well afford to support those that are dear to him.

Trusting you will give this matter your strict attention, I am,

Respectfully yours,

Mrs. Mary Donovan,  
per Dr.

386 Cherry St.,  
City.

Titles  
Donovan }  
vs }  
Donovan }  
and }  
Fardham }  
vs }  
Donovan }



FIFTH DISTRICT  
CITY MAGISTRATES' COURT.  
NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Nov 13<sup>th</sup> 1896

Hon W<sup>m</sup> Strong

Dear Sir

Yours of 11<sup>th</sup> inst

enclosing letter from Mrs Donovan of  
386 Elm St recd, and as I had probably  
three or four hundred of such cases before  
me during my last stay in City Magistrate  
Court I cannot bring closely to my mind  
the particulars in her case.

In order that there may be as little feeling  
as possible between husband & wife in  
cases of non support, I as a rule issue  
a summons for the husband to appear  
before me and always try to bring both  
together which is much easier with a summons.  
When a warrant is granted and an  
arrest made the husband feels bitter &  
resentful & it is much harder to bring

them together. No doubt in Mrs Donovan's case I took this view trying to save an amish also more trouble for her. When a man refuses to come on the first summons I generally issue another and tell the complainant to request the officer on post to serve it which is generally done, & in such case the excuse is satisfactory, being that he could not leave his employment sometimes sickness. Women in these cases as a rule are unimpeachable & cannot understand that a husband should have some protection. It is often the case that we send men to the Island for one to six months for non-support & cruelty, & when a week the wife turns up begging for the man's release so you see it is extremely difficult to know just how to act in this class of complaints. I shall take occasion to have this case examined into & find out just what the true facts

are. Am sorry that you should be burdened with matters of this kind, but among so great a number of cases as we pass upon in the Essex Market Court, it is out of the question to satisfy all that come before us.

I enclose Mrs Donovan's letter.

Rufus  
L. B. Crane

P.S. Judge Wentworth is now at Essex Market & will see him in reference to this matter.)

L. B. C.

**A Direct Approach Necessary.**

A LARGE number of the prominent business men and owners of property facing Third avenue from 125th street north to 129th street assembled at Murphy's hat store, 2350 Third avenue on Tuesday evening. The meeting was called to order by H. H. Heert, president, which by the way is called "The Third Avenue Improvement Association." Nathan Lemlein of the Guarantee Clothing Company acted as secretary. Mr. Lemlein then opened the meeting by reading resolutions adopted at the previous meeting for the benefit of those who were not present. It was as follows:

"Whereas, it appears that this, the intention of the authorities to build two approaches to the new Third avenue bridge, neither of which will lead to Third avenue, with the exception of an inconvenient flight of steps there will be no means of reaching Third avenue from the bridge.

"Thereby not alone destroying the architecture as well as useful purpose of said bridge, but depriving Third avenue, which has been for years the main artery of Harlem from its natural and useful supply of traffic, and as such deep privation will work great loss of value to properties and businesses which have been erected in the faith the owners had that the city would not wantonly destroy such investments. We form this association for the purpose of appealing to those in power to check such destruction before completed and appoint such committees to perform the various duties necessary to awaken the authorities to the interest and fear that we have in this matter."

Mr. Lemlein then introduced Alderman Goodman, who in the course of his remarks pledged his honest support to the cause, and said "that in his opinion it was an outrage to divert traffic from Third avenue, its natural course to Lexington and Second avenues, thereby destroying the commercial value of this avenue."

Peter Stuyvesant, a member of the North Side Board of Trade, was the next to address those in attendance. In the course of his remarks he stated that the Board of Trade had adopted a plan prepared by Chief Engineer Risse which provided for a direct approach to the bridge by way of Third avenue by widening the west side of Third avenue about 35 feet from 128th street to the river. He also announced that a committee composed of members of the Board had been appointed to appear before General Collis on Thursday, when the matter would be thoroughly discussed.

Mr. Albert E. Davis then exhibited the proposed plan and explained it. The following committee was appointed to attend the conference at General Collis's office on Thursday and to act in conjunction with the Board of Trade:

Messrs. R. Norton, Nathan Lemlein, Elkins, Purdy, Richard Weber, D. M. Williams, Mann, Benson, Bourne, E. Murphy, Chas. B. Tooker, P. Tiedeman, Colwell and Hughes.

The object of this association is to drop the proposed approach to Second avenue and to have it at Third avenue. The following is the call in brief which was issued to the Harlem property owners and business men:

"We desire to call the attention of the Harlem property owners and business men, especially those whose property or business is located on Third avenue, to a movement now on foot which has for its object a change to be made in the approach to the new Third avenue bridge so as to have the approaches direct to Third avenue leading from the bridge to a point at or near the corner of 128th street and Third avenue, instead of the approaches now being built to connect with Lexington and Second avenues. If we are not successful in this movement, the traffic and trade will be diverted away from Third avenue and will be led to Lexington and Second avenues, thereby shutting off from what has been the main support of upper Third avenue stores, viz.: the trade from the annexed district.

A meeting was held on October 29th in this behalf, and we feel that to obtain the necessary legislation we will need to obtain the co-operation of every one who has an interest at stake so we may be able to show our strength to the proper parties in power, and thereby obtain the recognition to which we are entitled, and if possible influence such legislation as will accomplish our object. Signed, H. H. Heert, president; N. Lemlein, secretary; W. T. Purdy, treasurer."

We heartily endorse this document and offer our support in its direction, for we feel it an absolute necessity that an approach should be made at this point in preference to the one planned for Second avenue; for, in the first place, Third avenue is more of a business thoroughfare than either Lexington or Second avenues, and thereby in order to do justice to the owners as well as lessees of property on this line we feel it no more than fair that the plans should be altered accordingly. The next meeting will be called subject to the chair.

**GUARANTEE CLOTHING CO.**  
Clothing, Furnishings, Hats, Shoes,  
127<sup>TH</sup> STREET COR. THIRD AVENUE.

New York, November 14 1896

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

Dear Sir

The enclosed newspaper clipping  
will plainly set forth to you, the object of  
our association

Representing as we do over  
Ten Million Dollars worth of property which  
will without doubt be seriously injured  
by the bridge approaches now being built  
we respectfully solicit the favor of a  
hearing before you so that we can obtain  
from you such redress as is in your  
power, will you kindly respond so  
that, if you set time for such hearing  
I can inform my colleagues

Very Respectfully

H. Lemkin Secretary  
The Third Avenue Trust Co

2338-3<sup>ms</sup>

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**St. Michael's Church,**

225 West 99th Street,

New York, November 14, 1886

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

Dear Sir:

I did not have the good fortune to see in the papers your letter with regard to the use of churches and buildings belonging to churches for school purposes. I write to say that the Parish Buildings of St. Michael's Church are at the disposal of the School Board for the accommodation of the schoolless poor children of this district, and were offered them for that purpose some six weeks or two months ago. In September I heard from one of the Inspectors of this district that there were over 600 children who could not be accommodated in the school buildings, and that the School Board were unable to find any place which they could rent for temporary school purposes. I at once informally offered our buildings to the School Board, free of rent, knowing that the vestry of the church would cordially support me in any such course. The buildings were examined by an Inspector from the School Board and, as his report was favorable, at the next monthly meeting of our vestry, October 12, a formal tender of the use of the two buildings, Nos. 223-225 West 99th Street, so far as they could be used without

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altogether stopping our work, was made to the School Board. We received a letter of thanks, and various Inspectors examined the buildings. They reported that they came within the requirements of the building law, fulfilled the sanitary requirements, and indeed the report of the Inspectors was such that I supposed they would at once be taken by the Board for school purposes.

The Inspectors selected only two rooms, one large room in each building, one of which, according to their computation, could accommodate three classes of Fifty each, and the other two classes of fifty each. I had supposed in offering them, that as they were for temporary school purposes only they <sup>Board</sup> would be willing to use movable furniture, but the Inspectors informed me that it would be necessary to put in permanent furniture with desks screwed to the floor. While this would materially increase the inconvenience to us of allowing our buildings to be used, nevertheless, as it was our desire to see some of the unfortunate school-less children provided with school accommodations, we gave them permission for the larger of the two rooms to screw desks and chairs to the floor, and even to reverse the order of a part of the desks so that some desks would face in one direction and some in another. In fact, we gave them practically carte blanche to do what they wanted, if only they

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would hurry up and make some provision somewhere for the poor children on the streets. For the other room, the smaller of the two, we were unable to give this permission, because it is used on so many evenings of the week as drill room for <sup>poor</sup> boys and girls and young men and young women who would have no other place if this were taken from them. We suggested a plan which seemed to us feasible, by which furniture not screwed to the floor could be put in that room, and that room also utilized. That is the last that we have heard. Neither room has been taken, nor any of the other rooms in the building; and while we have received no official communication from the Board on the subject, privately I have learned that these buildings were not accepted by them.

In the meantime, they have found nothing else, and week by week the number of children in this district without school becomes larger, since more new apartments <sup>houses</sup> are occupied every week. It seems to me that it is better that any sort of accommodation should be provided for the children than that they should be left entirely without schools upon the streets. Some have been crowded into already overcrowded schools of this district for a half day, this arrangement depriving other children of half of their education and putting them upon the streets. <sup>for half a day</sup>

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I trust that your Honor will force upon the attention of the gentlemen who constitute our School Board, the absolute necessity of doing something, and that instantly, for our poor children.

In conclusion, I beg to say that every intelligent man in this district foresaw precisely these conditions long since, and why the School Board could not have foreseen it, I cannot understand. In June, the School Committee of Good Government Club B prepared a report which went into the hands of the School Board through Club E, and also directly addressed a letter to the School Board, calling attention to the immense amount of building that was going on here, and the fact that the schools were even then overcrowded, and begging the School Board to make provision for the large increase of children which we should inevitably have in the autumn. So far as I know, the School Board took absolutely no step to provide additional accommodations.

By next autumn, the conditions will be more than twice as bad. Flat houses are going up with amazing rapidity throughout this district, and the amount of unoccupied land is still considerable, so that the population by next autumn will have increased enormously. The School Board has taken no positive and actual steps towards providing for this condition of affairs wh

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whatsoever, so far as I can learn. They talk of providing for it in the future, and speak of sites where a schoolhouse shall be built, and I am not sure but that they even designate them on paper, but although there is plenty of land not built upon now, where schools might be built, I believe that the School Board has not yet secured a site.

Yours respectfully,

John P. Peters.

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563 East 141<sup>st</sup> St.,  
New York, Nov. 14, 1896.

Hon. W. L. Strong,  
Mayor of New York.  
Sir, -

Permit me to urge upon you the extreme importance of taking action looking toward the filling in of the Mott Haven Canal above 138<sup>th</sup> St.

I write as a teacher in a large Grammar School, located in the neighborhood of the canal, at 145<sup>th</sup> St. and College Avenue. I feel certain that you will consider that the health of eleven hundred school children ought to be protected; and several physicians, I understand, are on record as recommending the filling in of this canal above 138<sup>th</sup> Street,

because it is, in their opinion, a  
menace to the public health.

Yours respectfully,  
Morgan Washburn,

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*Holm & Smith,*

COUNSELORS AT LAW,  
WORLD BUILDING, NEW YORK.  
ROOMS 92-93-94, TELEPHONE 3151 CORTLANDT.

CHARLES F. HOLM.  
TERRY SMITH.  
OTTO KEMPNER.

NEW YORK, November 14th, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City and County of New York,

City Hall, New York City.

Dear Sir:-

We write you as representing the owner of the premises on the South-east corner of Park Place and Church Street, New York City. The Board of Alderman, some weeks ago, past an ordinance in reference to the renting of the space underneath the stairs or steps of the elevated railroad, for the purpose of selling newspapers and periodicals.

You will remember that this ordinance when it came to you was vetoed, and afterwards passed over your veto. The ordinance as passed, required that the name of the parties sent in by the Alderman as an applicant for the space, should be referred back to the Board by the Law Department, each space underneath each elevated railroad stairs, was to be passed upon separately by the Board of Alderman.

At the last meeting of the Board of Alderman, the ordinance or resolution was passed, granting a permit to the use of the space underneath the stairs at the South-east corner of Park Place and Church Street, to one EDWARD B. FITZGERALD.

We have advised the property ~~owner~~ that the City is liable for damages, for obstructing the light and air in front of the premises of

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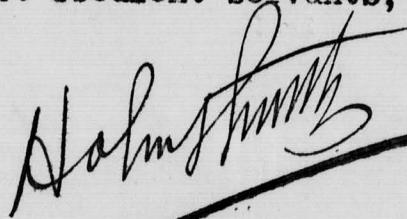
the owner, and he has instructed us to take such proceedings as may be necessary to protect his rights.

We write you this letter, in view of the fact that the resolution as finally passed by them, will come up for your approval, and that you may, in the disposition of the matter, act accordingly.

We are, with great respect,

Your most obedient servants,

Dict. T. S.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Holm & Smith", is written over a thick, dark horizontal line that spans across the lower right portion of the page.

# Chamber of Commerce

OF THE  
STATE OF NEW YORK

FOUNDED A.D. 1768.

New York City, November 14, 1896.



My dear Mr. Mayor:-

We are very glad that you could accept the invitation to be present at the Chamber of Commerce Dinner, and we will look forward with great gratification to seeing you among our guests.

We will have about six speakers with formal toasts assigned to them, and will expect to hear some good things, if their minds do not break down in the meantime with the effort of preparation. You will, of course, be called upon to say something, and will speak as short a time or as long a time as you please; the longer the better for us.

Awaiting the pleasure of seeing you there, I am,

Very truly yours,

Chairman Dinner Committee.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor,

City Hall,

New York City.

Copied

To The Honorable W. L. Strong  
Mayor, New York City

Hon Sir:

I desire to call your attention to violations of the law which is permitted to exist throughout this city in almost every establishment of dry goods, Bakeries, Restaurants, Dressmaking etc.

It appears that the young girls - white slaves, employed in these places in this City are being so inhumanly overworked byvaricious and heartless employers that their young life's blood is slowly wasted away by reason of long hours and pauper wages!

It is really a shame and disgrace in this City of Civilization that the proper legal authority did not investigate these infamous outrages committed by mercenary employers towards poor young girls and save them from premature disease

and death. Making fortunes on  
the misfortunes of others.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> servant

A. W. J.  
Good Government.

16<sup>th</sup> Nov. '96

STURTEVANT HOUSE,

Broadway and 29th St.,  
NEW YORK.

HENRY J. BANG, Prop'r.

New York, November 16th, 1896.

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

Dear Sir:-

Having read various articles in the papers recently in reference to lack of room in the Public Schools, would offer the following suggestions as a temporary relief.

All of the Public Schools that I have been in are built with assembly rooms, the Primary schools having one and the Grammar schools two, one for each department. I know that in some of the buildings these rooms are partially used as Class rooms, but I don't believe that all the available space therein is utilized; therefore if these Assembly rooms were divided into Class rooms by either sliding doors, or rolling shutters (both of which have been tried and proved more or less satisfactory), it would give from two to six Class rooms which would accommodate probably from one hundred to at least 300 Scholars.

I know objections would be raised against this by the Board of Education, for various reasons: one would be that it would do away with the possibility of having an assembly in the morning, which is the present custom; that, however, need not be the case. Most of the Schools being built on the same general plan, having two class rooms opening into these assembly rooms, one on each side of the Principal's desk, by leaving the doors open, it would not be necessary for these two classes to leave their room, as with the doors open they would be in direct communication, for all practical purposes. Further, to the right and left of the principal's desk there is a door opening into a short passage, from which one or two class rooms open. This passage is seldom more than ten feet long, and could therefore be used in the same manner, as the classes singing in these rooms could join with the others in the Main room.

Another plan would be to allow as many classes as necessary to remain in their respective Class rooms, beginning their studies without joining in the assembly, only in order to give all a chance the principal could select each Friday the Classes who would be excused from assembly for the following week, in which case the Assembly room would only have to accommodate as many as at present.

In Grammar School No. 40, which I attended about 16 years ago at the rear of the Assembly room, we had two classes divided by screens at the rear of the Assembly room; we had two classes divided by screens about 8 feet high, open at the bottom up to about 2 feet from the floor, and, although we could hear more or less what was going on on the other side, we managed to get along.

The sliding doors are in use in the same building in the Primary department, being made of wood and glass-- the

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HENRY J. BANG, Prop'r.

New York, Nov. 16th, 1896.

glass forming the larger per cent. of it in order to get light; these, however, would perhaps not be as practical as the rolling shutters, as they would require room when rolled to the side, necessitating an alteration in the building, or having them project a certain distance from the wall, whereas the rolling shutters would roll up towards the ceiling far enough to enable the Principal at his desk to see to the other end of the room; above that, glass could be put in for light.

I believe that the changes suggested could be introduced in all the buildings of the Department, if contracts for same are made at once so as to have them ready for use when the Schools open, January 4th.

I would be pleased to call on you, at your office, to meet you and the members of the Committee or Board having this in charge and explain anything further that you may desire.

Yours very truly,

(Dictated, H.B.)

*Henry A Bang*

*When new buildings are finished shutters  
could be removed and rooms restored to  
their original condition at slight expense*

*HAB*

**Board of Managers**  
OF THE  
**New York Botanical Garden.**

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR-IN-CHIEF.

41 East 49th St., New York.

Nov. 16th, 1896. 189

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

My dear Sir:

A meeting of the Board of Managers of the New York Botanical Garden will be held in Hamilton Hall, Columbia University, on Monday, Nov. 30th, 1896, at 4 o'clock P. M.

The report of the Commission appointed on June 17th, 1896, to prepare the general plan of development of the Garden will be presented, together with the General Plan and plans for the buildings.

By order of the Vice President,

Yours very respectfully

*N. L. Britton*

Secretary.

P. V. A. BRETT,

54 STONE STREET,

MEMBER PRODUCE AND MARITIME EXCHANGES,

HAITI PACKETS, STEAMERS AND VESSELS CHARTERED,  
LUMBER, COAL AND BRICK FOR EXPORT.

New York, Nov 16 1896  
Mayor Strong  
City Hall

Dear Sir

In view of the great demand for school accommodation in this city, I would venture to suggest a plan (of which I have thought for many years) by which the evil can be remedied.

First however we shall have to educate not only ourselves, but the public, so that they may be able to dismiss from their minds the idea that school hours are forever fixed and cannot be changed like the laws of the Medes and Persians.

Let school commence at 8 am for the primary dept. continuing until 12 m. then dismiss for the day. Ventilate until 1 P.M. then let the Grammar & High school dept. take possession continuing

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until 5 P.M. with of course  
an entirely new set of teachers.

In this way the children  
would lose an hour each day  
in school, which they may  
profitably employ in preparing  
their lessons.

During the winter months  
it would probably be necessary  
to light the S.R. for a short time.  
However the details of how the  
plan should be carried out is  
not so important as is the  
benefit to be derived by  
doubling at once and  
without expense the school  
capacity of the city.  
Respectfully  
Yours P. V. A. Brett

OFFICERS:

COL. FREDERICK DENT GRANT,  
GOVERNOR-GENERAL, NEW YORK.  
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To his Honor, the Mayor,  
William L. Strong,  
and the Common Council.

Gentlemen:-

As a member of a Committee appointed to wait upon you to obtain permission for the use of the historical Governor's Room, in the City Hall, for the afternoon of Nov. 13th, 1896, for a meeting of the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, I would most respectfully make request for the same, in behalf of my associates.

Trusting this will meet with your full approval, and that the request may be granted, I am,

Very truly yours,

*John Quincy Adams*  
of the Committee.

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Nov. 16, 1896.

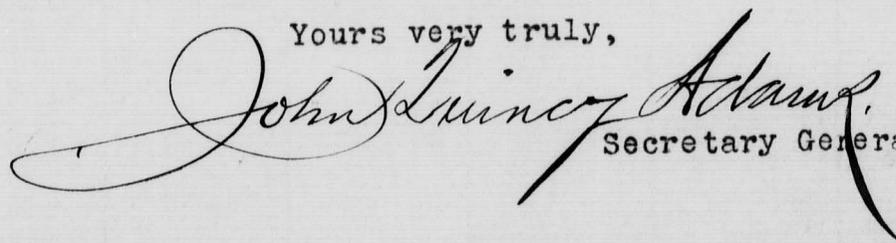
To his Honor,  
William L. Strong,  
The Mayor of New York City.

Dear Sir:-

At the first semi-annual meeting of the General Court of the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, held by your permission, in the historical Governor's Room, City Hall, Nov. 13th, 1896, the following resolution was offered by Rear Admiral Richard Warsam Meade, and seconded by William Armstrong Halsey, Governor of the New Jersey Society of the Order, and unanimously adopted.

RESOLVED, that a vote of thanks be and is hereby tendered his Honor, the Mayor of the City of New York for his courtesy in placing the Governor's Room at the disposal of the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America for the purpose of holding their first semi-annual meeting of the General Court, and that the Secretary General be instructed to communicate the same to his Honor.

Yours very truly,

  
Secretary General.

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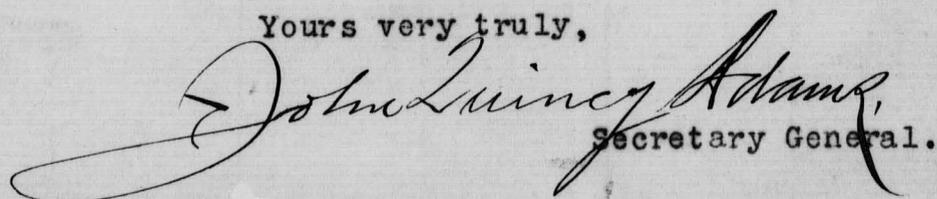
To the President,  
Board of Common Council,  
New York City.

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Yours very truly,

  
Secretary General.

Board of Aldermen  
Nov. 17 - 1896  
Ordered on file  
Wm H. Ten Eyck  
Clerk

Board of Common Council,  
New York City.

Nov. 19, 1896

"A" 

and recorded by William Armstrong Halsey, Governor of the New Jersey  
ATTORNEYS GENERAL  
THE HONORABLE GOVERNOR'S BOARD, CITY HALL, NOV. 18th, 1896, the  
Members and Patriots of America, held by your profession  
the first semi-annual meeting of the General Court of the

THE LOYAL REPUBLICAN CLUB  
OF HARLEM,

172 EAST 128TH STREET.

NEW YORK,

Nov. 17 1896

Hon. William L. Strong  
Mayor:  
Dear Sir:

At a regular meeting of the above Club, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the thank of this Club are eminently due and are hereby tendered to the Honorable William L. Strong our worthy Mayor, for his kindness in attending and addressing the Mass Meeting held under our auspices at Majestic Hall on Wednesday evening Oct., 28, 1896.

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Resolved, That his presence aided  
materially in making that  
meeting a success, thereby  
largely benefiting the cause  
of Green Money, Republican  
principles and the various pat-  
riotic issues of the Campaign.  
Resolved, That a copy of these  
resolutions be transmitted  
to his Honor the Mayor  
Very Respectfully  
Robert Morris President.

317 E. 118<sup>th</sup> St.

New York City

Nov. 17: 1896

To his

Honor, Mayor Strong

Dear Sir.

This is to certify  
that Martin Froyzig is a member in good  
and regular standing in the Trinity, Meth-  
odist Episcopal Church in this city - He  
desires to obtain, through you, authority  
to hold open air religious services in the  
city - He is a man of excellent spirit and  
character, and will not abuse any  
privilege that may be granted him.

Trusting that you will consider his  
application favorably -

I have the honor to be

Yours truly

James Montgomery  
Pastor Trinity M. E. Church

House of Representatives U. S.,

Washington, D. C.

February 12, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor,

New York.

My dear Mr. Mayor:-

I will look into the matter of  
the claim against the Government and let you know  
what the situation is promptly.

Faithfully yours,

Samuel E. Quigg.

House of Representatives U. S.,

Washington, D. C.

210 W 70th St., Nov. 4th, 1896/

Hon. W. L. Strong,

City Hall.

Dear Mr. Strong;-

I want no time to pass without returning to you my hearty thanks for the help you gave in my campaign to Congress. Your assistance and that of other friends enabled me to prosecute the most complete and effective canvass that has ever been made in this City. This is shown by the fact that of the 20,000 majority which McKinley received in this City nearly 15,000 was contributed by the 238 election districts that compose my Congress district.

We held 700 meetings and communicated by letter with nearly 15,000 voters individually. We circulated nearly 200,000 documents placing every one of them directly in the hands of a voter and we maintained throughout the Congress district a militant organization which was at work night and day.

This Congress district gave Cleveland a majority four years ago of over 10,000. In the special election for Congress in January, 1894, I carried it by a majority of 939. Two years ago that majority was increased to 5977. In this election it has attained the enormous figures of 12,000. No other district in the United States shows anything like this percentage of change. I congratulate you upon these results and thank you exceedingly.

Faithfully yours,

Leammel E. Quigg.

House of Representatives U. S.,

Washington, D. C.

210 W 70th St.,

Nov. 14th, 1896

BOND No 51  
Hon. William L. Strong,  
City Hall. New York

My dear Mr. Mayor;-

I wrote to Governor Morton the other day for Mr. Joseph B. Dulaney of this City, a friend and constituent of mine, requesting him to write to the Governor of Florida for the appointment of Dulaney as a Commissioner of Deeds for Florida, with power to act in this City.

Governor Morton replies that it is the custom of the executive office when granting such applications, to require the applicant to furnish the Governor with a letter from the Mayor of the City in which he resides stating his fitness to hold the office. The office, as you know, is simply that of a Notary Public. I furnished the Governor with letters from a well known Produce merchant in West Washington Market, with whom Dulaney is employed, and also from the Cashier of the New York County National Bank testifying to Dulaney's competency, responsibility and character. I know him personally, myself, and know that he is all right.

Will you be good enough, therefore, to write a letter

House of Representatives U. S.,

Washington, D. C.

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to Governor Morton, sending it under cover to me, in order that I may transmit it to the Governor, requesting him to recommend Dulaney, and stating that his recommendations are such as to leave no doubt of his fitness to be so recommended. The law does not permit anybody to act as a Commissioner of Deeds for another State who does not receive his appointment from the Governor of that State through the recommendations of the Governor of our own.

Faithfully yours,

Leunel E. Quigg.

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Expenditures in the State Department,  
House of Representatives U. S.

Washington, D. C.,

210 W 70th St.,

Nov. 17th, 1896

Job F. Hedges, Esq.,  
Office of the Mayor.

My dear Mr. Hedges;-

I thank you for your favor of Nov. 16th  
inclosing the letter of recommendation for Mr. Dulaney.

Faithfully yours,

Lemuel E. Quigg.



inquire of our friend Mr  
John Gould and Mrs Anna Mox  
in return Yours very respectfully  
Citizens of  
The U.S.

English young men's address  
James Libb  
Greenwich St.  
Homemade Hotel

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# Hungarian Peasant Ball

ARRANGED

For the Benefit of the Charity Fund of the Hungarian Literary Society of N. Y.

Under the Patronage of Consul General and Mrs. FRANCIS STOCKINGER,

On THURSDAY, December 31st, 1896.

At the **Grand Central Palace**, Lexington Ave. & 43d St.,

MORRIS CUKOR, Pres.

Office: 154 World Building, 63 Park Row.

*New York, N. Y., Nov. 17th 1896*

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

Dear Sir:-

The Hungarian Literary Society of New York is about to arrange a Peasant Ball on the 31st prox. at the Grand Central Palace. The chief object of the affair is to raise funds, out of which we will be enabled to provide warm winter clothing for a large number of poor and needy children during the coming cold season.

The affair will be unique and picturesque; it will truly represent Hungarian village and peasant life with all its quaintness and joviality. The large hall of the Palace will be transformed into a Hungarian Villiage, and the guests will be at liberty to participate in the festivities of the village.

To swell the charity fund it was decided to issue a Souvenir Journal for the occasion and to invite a large number of distinguished ladies and gentlemen to kindly contribute such literary matters and articles to this Journal as they may see fit.

May we request you for the favor of an article to be published in the Souvenir; your well known generosity in all charitable affairs, and your friendship towards the Hungarians, will, we trust, be sufficient excuse for our request which we earnestly hope you will have the kindness to grant.

Yours respectfully,

*Marcus Braun*

Chairman of Press Com.

NOTE DATE OF FAIR - DECEMBER 15<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>

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NEW YORK, Nov. 17, 1896.

Job Hedges, Esq.,  
City Hall,  
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

We have great pleasure in hereby officially appointing you a  
MEMBER OF THE RECEPTION COMMITTEE OF THE  
COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS' FAIR.

to be held at Madison Square Garden, December 15-28.

The duties will not in any way interfere with your business, and will afford you an agreeable opportunity to meet influential travelling and business men from all over the country. You will only be expected to attend the Fair in the evening as often as you conveniently can and help generally to create an interest that will make the affair the greatest social and financial success on record.

Yours very respectfully,

*A. B. De Frece*  
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Office:

TWENTY-FIVE-FIFTY-EIGHT THIRD AVENUE.

North of 138th Street.

Member of the North Side Board of Trade.

New York, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> 1896

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

Dear Sir—The passage of Commr. Kauffman's resolution to open Canal Place north of 138th Street at Friday's meeting of the Board of Street Openings will prove one of the greatest benefits that could be conferred on this section of the North Side, not only ridding it of a nuisance, but opening up for development a section which has remained at a standstill for years because of the existence of this canal. As a citizen interested in the improvement of this section I would earnestly request you to vote for the resolution.

Very Respectfully Yours  
Gilbert E. Davis

New York November 17 1896

To the City and State of New York  
Addressed to Hon Mayor Strong of said city  
of New York

We the Florists of the said city of New York ask  
Protection against the Pedlars, and other Venders  
of Flowers, Greens, and other Articles <sup>in the Florist line</sup> which our  
Business calls for, it is our calling which we  
have to Maintain. We have our Stores, Gas, help  
and other Expences to pay, these venders who have  
no Rent and other Expence injure our Business  
to such an extent that we have to Appeal to you  
for Protection. As tax payers and Store Keepers,  
we ask your Assistance to the effect to help us to  
stop this Traffic of Selling Flowers on the Street, if  
such A thing is Possible.

Kindly do all you can in this case to

Oblige the Following Florists

Very Respectfully Yours

Fred W. Wilhelm's	16 St marks Place
L. Seibert	97 First Ave
Edward Sheehy	17, Ave A.
Ch. Schumann	13. Ave. C.
E. Schumann	305 Bleeker St
S. Wenderoth	23 Ave B.
Nick	75 Ave B

Roman, Abranski	217 Ave. A.
John D. Bremer	439 East 14 <sup>th</sup>
Peter Okkerse	5 E. 14 <sup>th</sup> St
A. Copin	no 222-6 ave
Warendoff & Co	221 6 <sup>ave</sup>
W. Graudly	271 6 <sup>ave</sup>
Arthur Small	1153 Bway
Fred Hart	1269. 93. way
Emil B. Mauer	436 4 <sup>th</sup> av
May Hoer	235 Third Ave.
H. G. Kahn	154. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave
G. Baum	149 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave
Henry Debel.	77. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave.
Art Kuehling.	77. - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave.
John Koto	634 Hudson St

OFFICE OF  
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2583 THIRD AVENUE,  
—AND—  
282 & 284 MORRIS AVE., NEAR 139TH ST.  
TELEPHONE, HARLEM 40.

New York Nov 18 1896

Hon. Mayor Strong  
Dear Sir

In the matter of the Mott Haven Canal that is to be considered by the Board of street openings on Friday - I wish to say that I have been a property owner for 30 years on 138<sup>th</sup>, and one of a number <sup>who</sup> protested to the Trustees of Mowman and questioned their right to grant a permit to Messrs Bidew & Franklin to cross and extend their Canal above said street - They failed and it never has been completed and for all that time has remained a great nuisance and a detriment to the improvements in its vicinity -

The adoption of the resolution calling for opening of Canal Place would cause the removal of a very great nuisance, and be a great benefit to the neighborhood -

Yours Respectfully  
Henry Carr  
676 E 136<sup>th</sup> St

Mary Halpern, D. D. S.

November 19<sup>th</sup> 96

To the Hon. William L. Strong  
Mayor of the City of New-York

Dear Sir:

I beg again to call your attention to the matter of the permit of a newspaper stand at the South-West cor of 76<sup>th</sup> str & 3<sup>d</sup> Ave. Mr. Devine, as I informed you in a personal interview, recently purchased the newspaper stand, that has been established at said place, paying therefore the sum of \$450, the hard-earned savings of 14 years of work. The Board of Aldermen granted a permit for the same place

to me the Trinity.

I am informed that this matter is now in your hands. I therefore take this opportunity to request you again, to do whatever is in your power toward protecting Mr. Gerkin against a wrong, that would deprive him and his family of their means of livelihood.

Very respectfully

Yours, Mary Halpern

New York City 19<sup>th</sup> November 1896.

To his honor the Mayor of  
New York City.

Dear Sir!— I should feel very honored if you would favour me with an answer to the effect that, you have given these letters some consideration.

While I regret that, the company of the elevated rail road here in New York City, have shortened the trains (in the least some of them) running four cars instead of five, as formerly, there by making travel unpleasant by crowding and many passenger have to stand the whole route through or nearly so, though they have paid for a seat, I think fair justice could be extended to those in this way; as two standing persons do not take up much more floor space than one seated ditto, tickets admitting passengers to the cars should only cost three (3) cents, which entitle them to standing room only, but, if one wants

a seat, the seat should be provided with a slot machine, which two (2) cents dropped in said slot would unlock for him.

As the Board of Health do much in sanitary respect, I think it would find the following idea very helpful to that purpose. The for the present time used leather "hang on" straps in the cars, should be replaced by straps made of a white, bleached, washable texture, fresh from the laundry every morning bearing the stamp of the corresponding date and year on every one of them, in large letters to be seen at a distance, in a kind of ink, which would disappear in the next laundry process the straps were going through, leaving them clean for new stamping and another days use, thereby preventing them from been instrumental in the spreading of contagious diseases and not repulsive to sensible people, when circumstances demand their use.

A city ordinance should compel ticket sellers in the elevated railroad stations, while in function



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Nov 19 - 1896

Hon<sup>ble</sup> Wm<sup>l</sup> L. Strong  
Mayor of New York City  
Honored Sir

I enclose you a card of admission to our first public meeting. If you find it inconvenient to be present, a few words of encouragement from you to our young men, on loyalty to our Flag and Country would be highly acceptable

Respectfully Yours  
Chas<sup>s</sup> Schnelle  
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New York, June 23, 1896.

Dear Mr. Burrows:-

The storm door permit which I am interested in having signed as expeditious ly as possible is:

Premises 122 Clinton Place. Applicant E. Gardner. Alderman Thomas Dwyer. The matter, as I understand, will be up to-day.

If you will give this matter your attention, you will do me a personal favor.

Yours faithfully,

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New York, June 27, 1896.

Dear Colonel Strong:-

There has, as I understand, been no annual report of the Board of Health published since 1892 and though the matter is one with which I have personally nothing to do, I take the liberty as one of the sincere supporters and well-wishers of your administration of suggesting that you bring this matter to the notice of President Wilson. The quarterly reports of the Health Department appear in the City Record.

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New York, July 10, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

My dear Colonel Strong:-

The designation made on April 11 for the period of three months expiring July 11 by the Board of City Record of the DEMOCRAT as one of the papers to publish city advertisements it is sought to renew and I write, in Mr. Scott's absence to ask of you your support of its continuance on the list.

Yours

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New York, Oct. 8, 1896.

My dear Colonel Strong:-

Referring to our  
conversation of to-day, I send you the within.

The law creating the Park Avenue Improve-  
ment Board declares (Section 27) that it shall  
"act upon any and all questions by a majority  
vote of its members," which is 3.

Yours faithfully,

*Ernest Harvier*

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New York, Nov. 6, 1896.

My dear Burrows:-

Will you do me the favor following: Send me the list of School Commissioners whose terms expire in present month -- on the third Wednesday of November. There are seven of them as in Wordsworth's poem, I think.

Yours faithfully,

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New York, Nov. 9, 1896.

Dear Colonel Strong:-

It may interest you to know that according to the figures at hand, you polled more votes for Mayor in 1894 than the McKinley ticket did in the same territory this year. These are the figures:

1896: McKinley & Hobart	155.209
Less Westchester towns annexed July 1, 1895.	<u>1.191</u>
	154.018
1894: W. L. Strong	154.094

Total vote 1894	274.316
" " 1896	305.000.

Yours sincerely,

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New York, Nov. 19, 1896.

Dear Colonel Strong:-

I wrote to you some weeks ago in reference to the designation by the Board of City Record of weekly newspapers publishing "brief advertisements calling attention to contracts to be awarded," recommending to the favorable consideration of the Board of City Record the Sunday Democrat which has been a consistent supporter of your administration and was, moreover, the only Irish paper in this city which, at the recent election, opposed the candidature of Mr. Bryan.

I observe that at the meeting of Tuesday there has been substituted for the Democrat as official paper "The Weekly Union" the most intemper-

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ate of the Tammany weekly papers in town, of smaller circulation and less influence than the Sunday Democrat, and which supporting Mr. Bryan at the recent election has been continuously an opponent of you and of your administration in office.

Yours Faithfully,  
*Ernest Harvier*

I. & S. BERNHEIMER,  
OFFICE, 261 BROADWAY,  
NEW YORK.

New York, Nov 19<sup>th</sup> 1896

Hon. W. L. Strong,  
Mayor New York City,  
My dear Mayor,

I discovered some errors in the description of the property mentioned in the resolution passed last summer, which I would like to have corrected. - As I am not well enough to call and point out to you these errors, I have requested Judge Wittenhafer, who is my attorney in this matter, to see you in my stead and explain fully.

The judge has told me that the Comptroller has examined into the matter and approved of the suggested corrections.

Knowing that you are always ready to do what is just, I remain

Yours sincerely  
Simon Bernheimer